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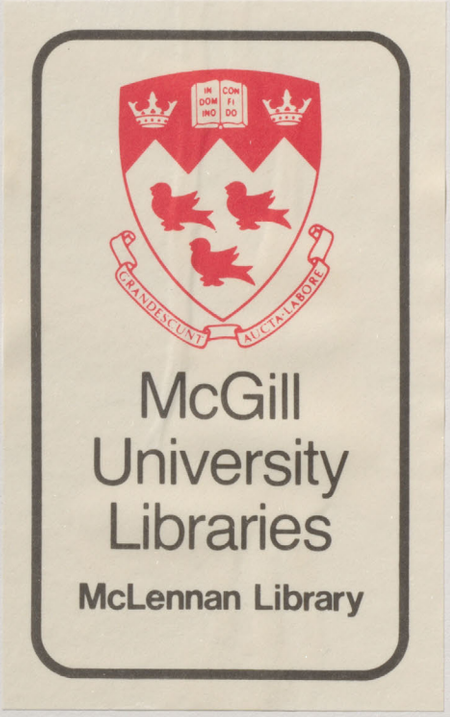

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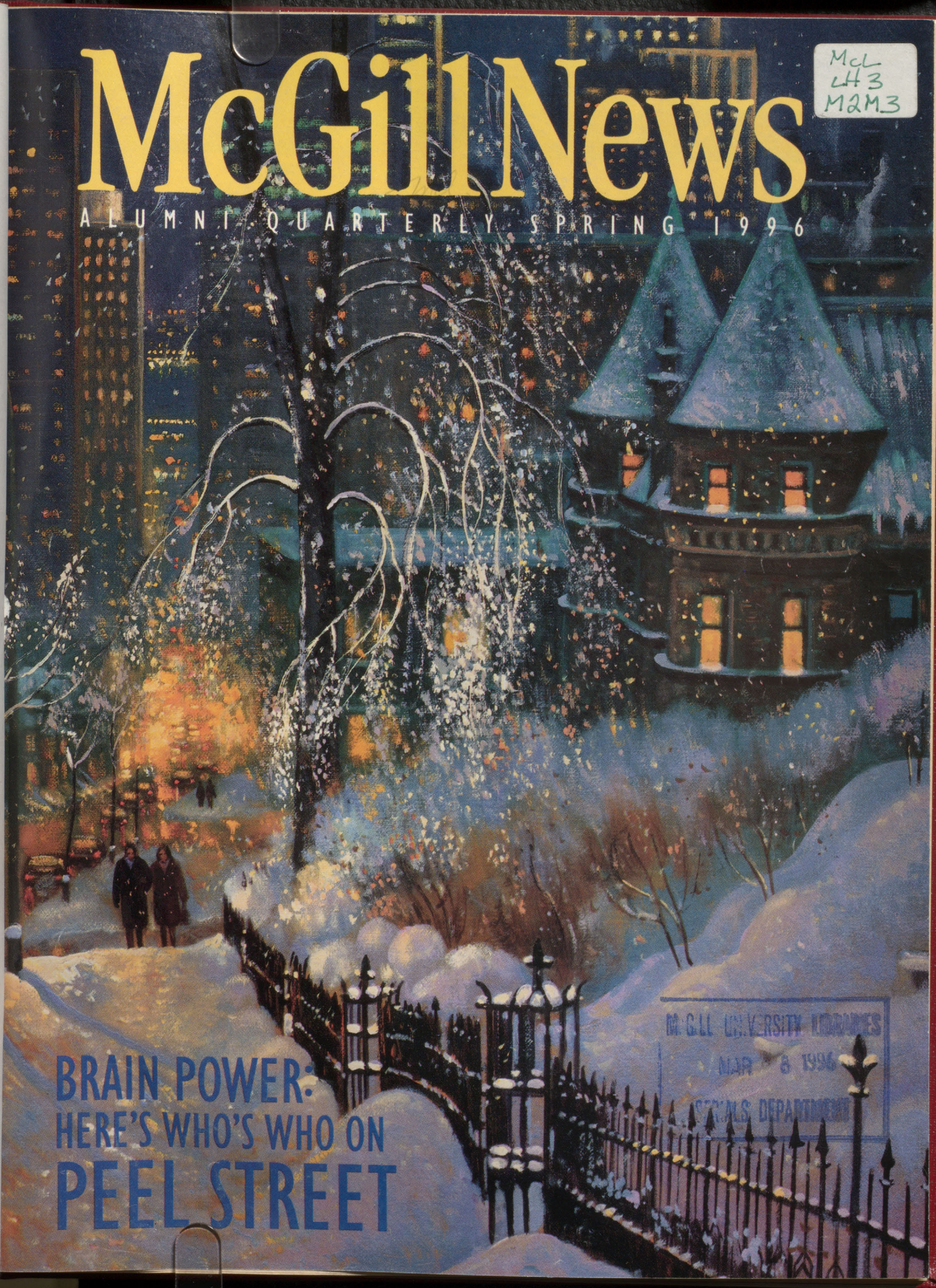

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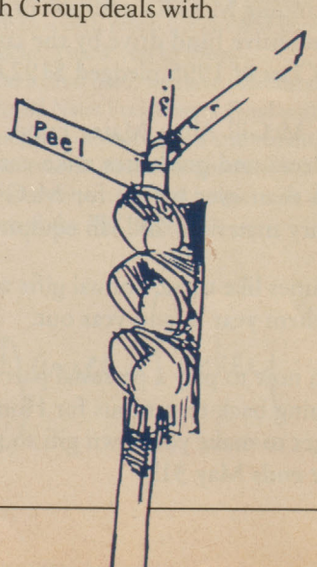

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In January 1996, James McGill (played by Andrew Krivanek) was revived with lights and music on the stage of Redpath Hall when he met past students including Carrie M. Derick, BA 1890 (Natalie Beaudoin BA'89 BEd'91) and representatives of subsequent eras (Jeff Pufahl BMus'96, Alessadro Juliani BMus'96, Jayne Paterson, Christopher Wilson, and Terry Mierau BMus'97).

Celebrating 175 Years of Generosity

The tradition of founder James McGill still lives… and not only on the stage. Peter Mazoff, BCom'96, and Ele Balders, BA'96 (see inset) are continuing McGill's tradition of generosity by chairing Class Action 1996, an intensive fund drive by the current graduating class. Last year, 35% of the Class of 1995 pledged $192,000.

The McGill Alma Mater Fund, thanks to many generous donors, gives students and graduates alike cause for celebration. It is providing more help than ever before for McGill students in the form of scholarships, library materials, and lab equipment.

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A few years ago, then-dean of Arts John McCallum, PhD'77, addressed the fact that Montreal was a falling star within the small galaxy of Canadian cities. Hundreds of Canadian offices and 300,000 people had moved; the unemployment rate was stuck stubbornly above the Canadian average. Help was needed. McCallum took an advertiser's mind to the problem, and re-imagined Montreal as the "Brain Capital of Canada." With four universities, Montreal well deserves the brain capital label. Unfortunately, McCallum has since taken his own brains to Toronto where he is Chief Economist with the Royal Bank of Canada. Nevertheless, his idea remains, and nicely puts McGill at the centre of influence.

In preparing this issue, we pay homage to the brainpower of Peel Street, which dissects the campus and runs right into the heart of downtown. From top to toe, Peel is clearly the address of some of the province's best brains. To illustrate the point, Montreal artist "Ferg" drew a series of caricatures and building sketches. We at the *McGill News* well realize that there are those we missed, or couldn't fit in, and we deserve rightful indignation from the McGill Graduate School of Communications, the Department of Jewish Studies, the McGill Centre for Teaching and Research on Women, the clergy and social workers at Newman Centre, all the fine lawyers at the law firm of McCarthy Tétrault, and the McGill daycare workers who are doing the important job of nurturing young brains.

Besides this graphic (on pages 22-23), two articles emanate from Peel Street: an essay by Dr. Charles Weijer, BA'93, MSc'95, of the Institute for Medicine, Ethics and Law, and a story about the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada and its director Desmond Morton. As if to anticipate your next question, it is with some brute honesty that we acknowledge the most known entity on Peel Street, and one which brings a smile at its recognition, is the Peel Pub. Within this informal setting, many McGill brains are fueled with inexpensive beer, food and cigarette smoke.

In other news, I travelled to Switzerland last fall as a guest of the Switzerland Tourism Board, Swiss Air, and the local tourist councils of Baden, Sion and Spiez. The sponsorship allowed me to travel to Geneva to interview George Weber, BEd'70, MA'74, the Secretary-General of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, as well as meet academic André Liebich, BA'68, at the Institut Universitaire de Hautes Études Internationales.

As Professor Liebich spent most of his career teaching in Montreal, he is perfectly positioned to take a look at Swiss federalism, especially as Switzerland is often cited as a model for Canada. A specialist in Eastern Europe, he finds himself also explaining the Quebec/Canada situation in Switzerland. He was recruited to occupy a chair in communist studies at this well-known graduate school, beautifully situated on the shore of Lake Geneva. Adjacent is the World Trade Organization (WTO), formerly GATT. He notes with some amusement that the ending of the Cold War reached this neutral territory. Shortly after he was hired, the communist world fell apart and he now occupies a "no-name" chair. The neighbouring WTO considered moving to Bonn, but Geneva rallied with many concessions, including giving the WTO the university building in 1997, which houses the library and many faculty offices. André Liebich and his colleagues will move further along the shore.

I must confess that Switzerland was decidedly more interesting and complex than I had realized from its tourist image, and our guides, Ursula Beamish-Mäder and Leyla Alaluf, answered a barrage of questions with much insight and good humour. Thank you to them.

On a final note, we have established a *McGill News* Endowment Fund with the money from subscriptions and voluntary subscriptions. Your contributions will last into perpetuity, and help ensure the future of the *McGill News*.

Janice Paskey

LETTERS

Exception taken

I MUST TAKE EXCEPTION TO THE LAST line of the article "Endowment Fund is Tops" (Fall '95) which reads, "The RIAL Fund does not currently help pay off the McGill deficit though the McGill Board of Governors is looking at various ways that it might do so."

The Financial Report to the Board of Governors 1994-95 states that an amount of $3,863,000 was obtained from endowment funds (Part B, 2.1.7), and this is in addition to the six percent service fee that has been paid on endowments for some years now plus a new two percent fee introduced this year. The two percent fee increases to10 percent over the next four years. Moreover, Vice-Principal, Administration and Finance, Phyllis Heaphy stated in the Senate meeting of September 27, 1995, that the University plans to obtain another $10 million from endowed funds over the next five-year period.

R. Rigelhof
McGill Professor of Mathematics

Reply from Phyllis Heaphy, Vice-Principal (Administration and Finance): For some years, McGill has been pursuing a policy whereby projects funded outside of the operating budget make at least a significant contribution toward indirect costs. Thus, research and community service contracts must include a provision to finance indirect costs incurred by them. The notable exception has been projects funded from the endowment income. Until now, a contribution equal to only six percent of the distributed endowment income has been made toward the indirect costs.

At the time the *McGill News* article was written (Summer 1995), the Board of Governors had agreed that, effective May 31, 1995, a more appropriate contribution be obtained from endowed projects towards the indirect costs incurred by them.

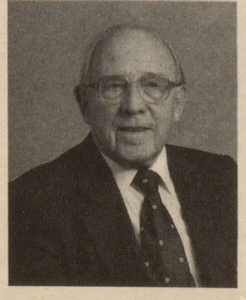
The contributions approved by the Board are twofold: (a) a special income distribution of $1.50 per unit for the years 1995-96 through 1999-2000. This charge will go towards reducing the deficit and will amount to approximately $10 million over the five years it is in place. It will not be withdrawn from the capital of the endowments and (b) a charge against the accounts of endowed projects, not against endowment capital, to contribute to ongoing indirect costs. This contribution will begin in 1995-96 and will be phased in over five years increasing at the rate of two percent per year to reach 10 percent in 1999-2000.

Date questioned

I MUST SAY I DO ENJOY READING THE *News*, particularly the rather sardonic items included in the "A Medley of the Man . . . James McGill" (Winter '95). However, as a born and bred Montrealer, I was quite puzzled by the brief note on the Faculty Club, and the statement that it was sold to McGill in 1935. While on sabbatical (working at McGill) in 1971, I invited my father down to the Club for lunch a number of times. On the first such occasion, he remarked that: yes, it was the old Baumgarten mansion, the first private home in Montreal to have an elevator, and that Mrs. Baumgarten sold it to McGill after the death of her husband when McGill wanted a "good house" for the new "principal and vice-chancellor, Sir Arthur Currie." Currie served in that role from August 1920 to his death in November 1933. Just when McGill bought the house I cannot say, but it clearly was long before 1935. Mrs. B. also told dear old dad that she sold it to McGill for $22,000 and then went down to New York and bought each of her two daughters an $11,000 diamond necklace (probably at Van Cleef's).

Gerald McCaughey, BA'51
Association of Professors Emeriti
University of Alberta

McGill's historian, Stanley Frost, replies: Gerald McCaughey is right. This fine mansion was built in 1887 and enlarged in 1902. Baumgarten died in 1919, but his widow lived in the house until 1926 when it was sold to McGill, and Principal Sir Arthur Currie occupied it as his official residence. His successor, A.E. Morgan, deemed it too large and costly to run and the Faculty Club "inherited" the building Christmas 1935.



Stanley Frost

Pot's history

THE UNFORTUNATE EXPERIENCE THAT Melinda Wittstock, BA'86, had with the *Plumber's Pot* ("*McGill Daily* Editors Resurrected," Winter '95) prompts me to write about the original *Plumber's Pot*.

Jim Harris, BEng'49, was president of the Engineering Undergraduate Society when he asked me to write an information column for student engineers in the *McGill Daily*.

Since engineers called themselves "plumbers," the title *Plumber's Pot* was chosen and Tex Dawson produced the cartoon and masthead (a homemade still). It was a fairly innocuous column, peppered with corny jokes and inane observations. The worst that could be said about it, to quote one of the higher ups at the *McGill Daily*, was that "it didn't meet the literary standards of the *Daily*."

Imagine my astonishment to find, years later, that the *Plumber's Pot* was a newspaper of controversial nature, to say the least. For my efforts in producing this column, the Engineering Undergraduate Society awarded me a "special mention." Would it be stretching it a bit to say that the *Plumber's Pot* started as an award-winning column in the *McGill Daily* in 1948-49?

Bernard Lang, BEng'49, MEng'53
Mayor, Cote Saint-Luc, Que.

Repressed temptation

I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS POSSIBLE TO MAKE an old *McGill Daily* veteran dissolve in nostalgia, but your cover story (Winter '95) with venerable Gerald Clark rubbing shoulders with some young upstart did just that! I repress the temptation to reminisce further. Thanks again for that delicious and well thought out feature.

Hayim Perelmuter, Arts'35
Professor of Jewish Studies
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Daily's defence

IT MAY INTEREST THOSE STUDENTS AND alumni who enjoy trashing the *McGill Daily* to know that I once counted myself among them. During my first year at McGill, I would sit back at Detour or Doug Pub with friends and discourse at length about the paper's failings. Finally, one of my friends looked at me and said: "Talk is cheap. Either

you go write for the *Daily* or shut up about it." I signed up.

Suddenly, I found that I had much less time for Detour and Doug Pub, or even my classes, as I raced around tracking down sources for stories and features and spent many a late night struggling with our antiquated typesetting software. I served with editors Melinda Wittstock and Joe Heath, and was part of the *Daily* staff that was impeached in the referendum Melinda Wittstock mentions (p.18, Winter '95). Not one person who voted to impeach us came to join the paper. I think they missed a real opportunity to learn about the paper and themselves. Like my friend said, talk is cheap.

J. Peter Nixon, BA'88
Washington, DC

Marxism, the status quo

I FELT A MIXTURE OF PRIDE AND embarrassment as I read the other editors' vignettes. The *Daily* taught me most of what I've ever needed to know about writing, publication design, staff management and budgeting. I also learned about group politics, which leads to the embarrassing part: I fell in with the Marxist-Leninists on the *Daily* and produced an insufferably strident newspaper. Later I realized that Marxism-Leninism was just another status quo. I've since worked for *The Gazette* and other newspapers, produced publications for three universities, and founded two award-winning periodicals on health. But I remain a gadfly. I've objected to, for instance, the cynicism of my media colleagues and the ties of mainstream medicine to the pharmaceutical industry. I lead a so-called alternative lifestyle, with children born at home, meatless meals and homeopathic health care. So the *Daily* taught me to question the status quo and to fight for change. But it also taught me, belatedly, that nobody and no system has all the answers.

Bonnie Price Lofton, BA'75
Daily editor, 1974-75
Castleton, Va.

Marginalizing who?

I ENJOYED THE STORY "MCGILL DAILY Editors Resurrected" (Winter '95), but I am disappointed that you had to end the section on such a sour note, with the comments by Joe Heath. He makes several quite inaccurate statements.

Conventional wisdom has it, as Mr. Heath states, that "McGill students were a pretty conservative bunch." It is true that the loudest voices on campus have always been the more conservative ones: indeed they have the means to ensure they are heard. I started at McGill two years before Mr. Heath graduated and have always reveled in the rich diversity of the student body. And this is where the *McGill Daily* plays a vital role: catering to this diversity by offering something for everyone.

Further, it is an exaggeration to call the politics of the *Daily* "ultra-leftist" as well as to say that "the paper has become quite marginal on campus." The *Daily* covers a wide range of issues and this comment does a disservice to its staff. Undeniably, its editorial slant is left of centre and therefore a long way from the conservative right: the origin of these crises of marginalization. However, I ask, who is in fact marginalized?

Stephen Targett, BMus'93
President, The Post-Graduate Students' Society of McGill University

Seeking truth

THE ARTICLE "REQUIEM FOR RELIGION" (Winter '95) needs an immediate amendment sent to all recipients. It is unthinkable that the complex factors before you can be reduced to money. Such myopia! All university degrees are not self-liquidating investments. There is no way that graduates of the Faculty of Religious Studies could be expected to generate self-sustaining faculty revenues! At worst, your rationale should provide for all Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry surplus amounts (that exceed the targets) to go to faculties whose vocations are inherently not focused on career revenue.

Professor Doug Hall suggests that the quest for usefulness has overtaken the quest for truth. If true, does this not alarm you? Frederick Lowy, BA'55, MD'59, Concordia University's rector, said in his installation speech, "First and foremost, it is time for universities to retrieve their courage and return to the business of transmitting values."

Our daughter Loretta graduated from McGill in 1990 and subsequently died of suicide. It is not unlikely that truth in a BSc degree did not deal enough with ultimate truth. We believe that the spiritual development of McGill students is absolutely essential. Without a sense of how the divine works in our lives, we cannot find the true purpose and true meaning in our lives. I attended McGill's new student orientation in September 1993 and heard of the continuing occurrence (and warnings) of the serious medical problems that confront McGill's "Cream of the Crop."

I am enclosing my 1995 McGill Alma Mater gift in the amount of $700 for the Faculty of Religious Studies.

J.V. Tremain, BEng'55, BA'80
Part-time student, Religious Studies, 1993-95, Montreal

Trivialize promiscuity

IN GENERAL, I FIND THE ARTICLES IN the *News* interesting, informative and well written. I do, however, have one specific complaint to make. The photos of the "drag queen" RuPaul (Alumnotation, Winter '95) hurt many people. It hurt me to see essentially erotic photos in a publication from my Alma Mater. The photos hurt women in that, although the model is a man, the image portrayed essentially promotes the idea that women should be viewed as sex objects. The photos also hurt the fight against AIDS. They trivialize or even glorify sexual promiscuity, yet unwise sexual involvement is the cause of many, many cases of HIV infection every year.

And what about RuPaul? In what way has McGill University improved his life by focusing on the fact that he has the ability to dress like a stripper? It's not funny.

Mark McBratney, BSc(Agr)'85
Montreal

ed.note: RuPaul is an active supporter of AIDS research and helps numerous organizations throughout the world to raise funds for AIDS community support programs and research. It was never the intention of the McGill News to trivialize the role of women or to promote unwise sexual involvement. As you may know, the McGill AIDS Centre has been very proactive in promoting informed, safe sex. It is perhaps unfair to state that RuPaul has been "used" by McGill University. RuPaul craves and appreciates publicity, and has used this publicity to help fund AIDS research.

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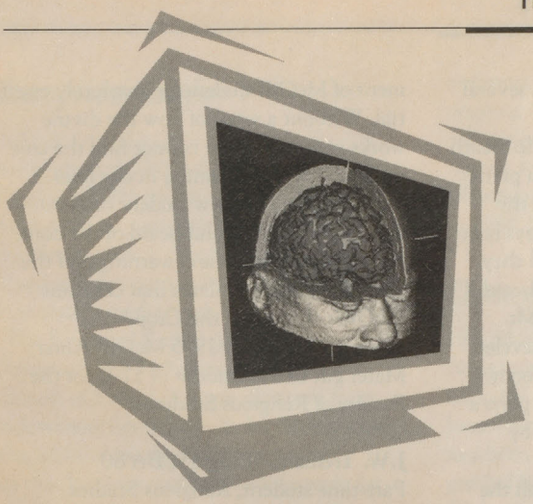


Seeing in 3-D

Medical informatics. The name doesn't sound very inspiring. What it is, though, is something quite revolutionary: a dramatic innovation that will eventually change the way medicine is taught at McGill. Aided by a $3.75 million grant from the Molson Foundation, the Faculty of Medicine is placing its first- and second-year curriculum, including lecture material and full-colour, 3-D clinical simulations, onto CD-ROM and the Internet. This will not only replace reams of notebooks and flat images but, in the long run, alter the function of teachers, who will be able to spend more time in discussion and less on lecturing. "The idea is to take the medical knowledge sitting in the heads of our world-renowned experts," says David Fleiszer, BSc'69, MD'73, MSc'79, Assistant Dean of Medical Informatics, "and put it into the computer in an interactive form."

Although the program is unique in Canada – several American schools have the technology – McGill and other universities, including Sherbrooke, Laval and Montréal, will develop a consortium to share the information. Students will eventually have access to files from other med schools, enabling each university to specialize and become more efficient. The material will also be accessible to doctors and patients.

A teaching module from the first four weeks of the curriculum,"Molecules, Cells and Tissues," has been developed as a demonstration; by September, several teaching units will be available to students.

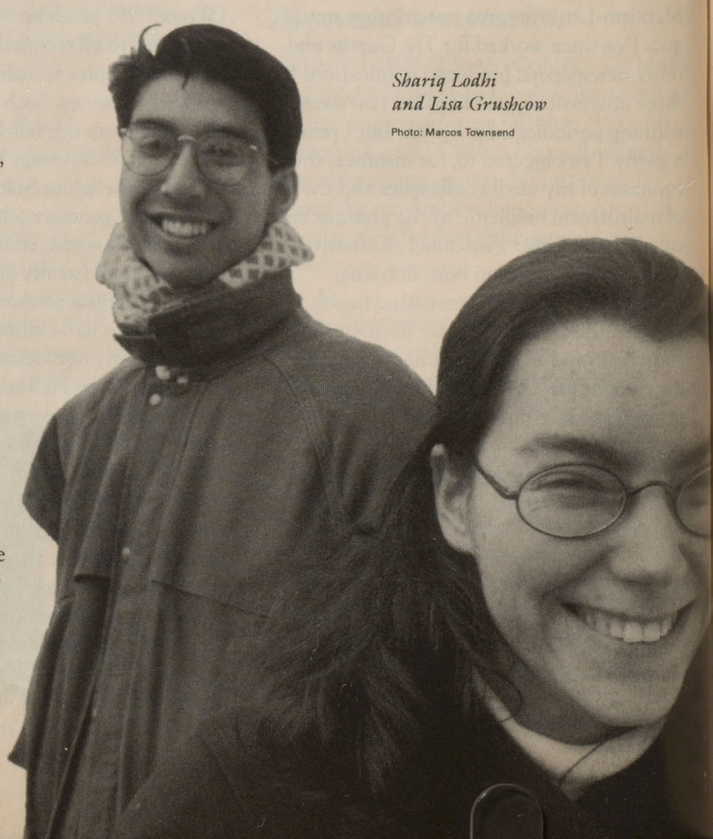
Most National, Most International

McGill students this academic year will experience the most diverse student body of any Canadian university. According to Registrar's Office statistics, McGill has the most out-of-province students, some 36.2 percent at the undergraduate level, and the most foreign students, 11 percent of the total student body. "We recruit locally, nationally and internationally to encourage a great number of high-quality applications," says Director of Admissions Mariela Johansen. She says the culturally varied city of Montreal is an attraction for out-of-province students, many of whom have come through French immersion and want to use the language.

Right on, Rhodes

Like proud parents announcing births, McGill is delighted to present the two Rhodes Scholars for 1996: Shariq Lodhi, 21, of Saint John, New Brunswick, and Lisa Grushcow, 21, of Montreal. Lodhi is a dean's list chemistry student who has competed in varsity rowing and cross-country skiing. He plays the cello and organizes concerts for the Royal Victoria Hospital Palliative Care Unit which uses music therapy to comfort patients. He hopes to become a doctor after studying at Oxford.

Grushcow is studying political science, with a minor in Jewish Studies, and hopes to become a rabbi. She is currently the Students' Society vice-president of student affairs and has a wide range of extracurricular activities, from journalism and acting to women's groups. She will study within Oxford's Faculty of Oriental Studies and Theology.



Shariq Lodhi and Lisa Grushcow

Photo: Marcos Townsend

Vive l'Acfas!

En 1996, McGill accueillera pour la première fois de son histoire le Congrès annuel de l'Association canadienne-française pour l'avancement des sciences (Acfas). Du 13 au 17 mai près de 5,000 délégués – chercheurs et étudiants du Québec, du Canada et d'autres pays – viendront a McGill pour y donner soit leur première communication scientifique, soit un conférence, ou bien encore pour participer à un colloque. Ce congrès, comme les 63 autres qui l'ont précédé, se déroulera en français. À de rares exceptions près, ce sont des professeurs de McGill qui seront responsables des 75 sections disciplinaires relevant des cinq secteurs suivants: sciences biologiques et de la santé, sciences humaines, sciences physiques, génie, et sciences sociales (398-6754 pour plus d'information).

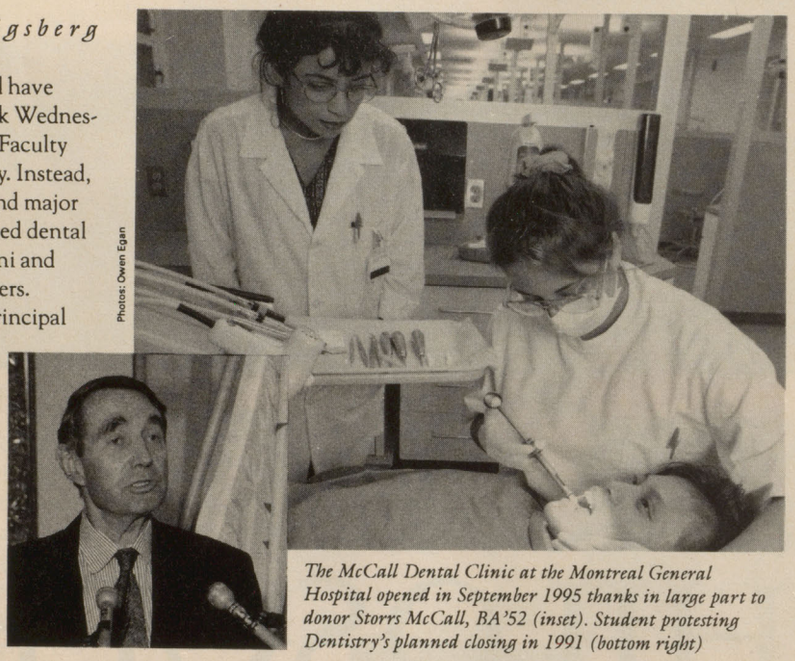
By the Skin of their Teeth

The closing of the Faculty of Dentistry was a done deal. Or so most people thought

by Allen Konigsberg

July 17, 1991, could have gone down as Black Wednesday in the 95-year Faculty of Dentistry history. Instead, it became a footnote and major turning point that rallied dental faculty, students, alumni and Montreal-area supporters.

On that 1991 day, Principal David Johnston announced to the Dentistry professors that the University governance had decided that the Faculty would stop admitting students and close by 1996. He said the high cost of educating dental students and the Faculty's lack of research and postgraduate programs left the administration no choice. In short, Dentistry did not fulfill McGill's latest stated priorities: to become a major research institution with a high proportion of graduate students.



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The McCall Dental Clinic at the Montreal General Hospital opened in September 1995 thanks in large part to donor Storrs McCall, BA'52 (inset). Student protesting Dentistry's planned closing in 1991 (bottom right)

Present at the fateful announcement was Montreal dentist Norman Miller, DDS'74, a McGill part-time lecturer. In an interview from his Westmount office, Miller recalls, "I asked what could be done to change the decision. They said, 'Nothing. The money you could raise couldn't possibly be enough.' But they couldn't answer me when I asked how much money would be needed to save the school, because they never thought of the possibility."

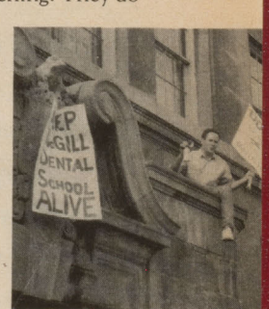
Miller organized a committee of fellow lecturers and began a campaign to fight the decision. "The benefits of the school go to the public," says Miller. "We thought the public should be informed." Graduates, too, would be affected: Dentistry's closing could decrease the value of the degrees of its 1,900 alumni. The support was immediate. Miller's group raised nearly $20,000 to hire a public relations person to communicate Dentistry's merit. The implications of the loss of Quebec's only anglophone dental school were well covered in the daily media.

After vocal student demonstrations and alumni protestations, the McGill administration came up with a renewal plan for the Faculty in September 1991. It had one year to fulfill eight conditions: decrease the number of students from 26 to 24; develop a master's degree program that would attract research funds; increase faculty research; decrease the salaries of casual lectures; establish criteria for evaluating academic performance; ensure that the dental clinic would become self-financing; arrange to rent clinic and research space at the Montreal General Hospital; and, finally, raise $1.6 million to upgrade equipment.

The apparent stumbling block was the last requirement. But Nicholas Offord, Director of McGill's Development Office at the time, drew up the fundraising game plan. Offord recently told the *McGill News*, "What we tried to impress on alumni was, 'Are you ready to let the Faculty fall because of $1.6 million?' " "The community put its money where its mouth was," Miller says. "We raised the money in less than six months." In October 1992, Principal Johnston announced that Dentistry had met its conditions and would remain open.

Last September, the Faculty introduced its new McCall Dental Clinic at the Montreal General Hospital. Generosity, and luck, played a large part in the clinic's opening, which offers the latest dental technology at a reduced cost to the public. A significant portion of the facility's funds was donated by McGill philosophy professor Storrs McCall, BA'52, through The McGill Twenty-First Century Fund. Professor McCall says, "I was looking to make a donation in the field of medicine in the name of my parents [G. Ronald McCall, BSc(Arts)'21, MD'39, DipPH'41, and M. Frances McCall, BA'26, MD'42]. And the most pressing need was the dental clinic, which serves the community and had outdated equipment."

As per the other conditions, the Faculty now joins several Canadian universities in offering a master's program, and has more researchers on staff, including new dean, James Lund. Part-time lecturers earn about half of what they once made. "That wasn't a big deal," says Miller. "Even before, our staff was able to earn much more doing clinical work than teaching. They do it for the benefits of teaching at a university." Miller, who is now the Faculty's first Associate Dean, Community Relations, says, "What we face now is what the University faces: budget cuts."



Dentistry is currently changing its curriculum, and dental students now attend some medical school classes. Their experience can be translated to other struggling areas of McGill, says Miller. "Dentistry needed to change the way it managed itself. I think that if the issue is resources, it's fixable. It boils down to finding alternative solutions."

WEBERIAN PHILOSOPHY

by Janice Paskey

"It comes down to power and economic gain – everybody wanting their share of the pie."

– George Weber, International Federation of Red Cross & Red Crescent Societies

The rain is coming down in cold sheets in Geneva when I arrive at the headquarters of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. The building is surprisingly modest for one of the largest charitable organizations in the world, a cottage-like structure of five or six stories. Inside the staff is noticeably multi-ethnic, drawn from its member societies all over the world.

Geneva is also the new home for native Montrealer George Weber, BEd(PE)'70, MA'74, owing to his election as head of the Red Cross. He enters the boardroom section of his office. At 6 feet 2 inches, he has the natural presence accorded to tall men. He looks completely Canadian, which means he is an indistinguishable mix of several cultures. From his biography, I know he is the eldest of four children, born to an Estonian father and a mother of Austrian and Greek heritage who ran a dance studio. (According to some sources, Weber is still said to do a little cha-cha every now and again.) He is more famous however for his rise through the Red Cross ranks, from water safety adviser and international relief volunteer to secretary-general and chief executive of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

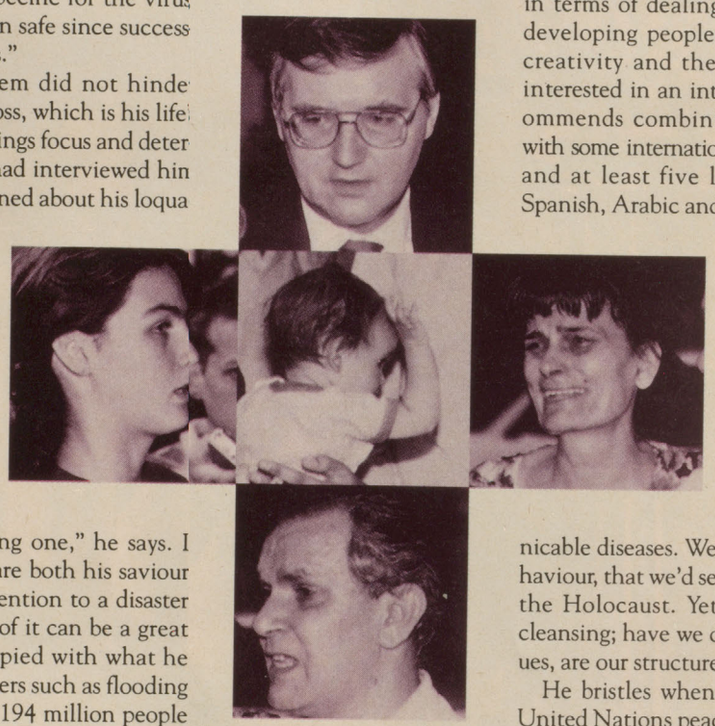
The Red Cross is, disputably, the most widely recognized charitable organization in the world. It is indsputably the largest. With 274,000 employees and 128 million volunteers, the Red Cross attended to 19.4 million people in 1994 alone. Its famous symbol, a red cross on a white background, is the colour inversion of the Swiss flag, indicating the nationality of Red Cross founder Henri Dunant who created the organization in 1863 after witnessing the casualties of the Battle of Solferino in the War of the Italian Succesion. If you're not up on the intricacies of that battle, fear not. The Red Cross legacy is significantly more enduring. Today, there are two international bodies: the Red Cross International Committee, which is mandated to take care of victims of armed conflict (its leader must always be Swiss; the current president is Cornelio Sommaruga); and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent

Societies, which carries out relief work in peacetime and around conflict areas. It provides support to 169 national societies and helps them organize relief for natural disaster victims and refugees. Weber is the first Canadian head of the organization.

Previously Secretary General of the Canadian Red Cross, Weber is known for his international achievements during missions in Latin America, Vietnam and Africa. These missions and his executive leadership of the Canadian Society led to his selection as chief executive of the International Federation. He continues, nevertheless, to play a role in Canada through testimony to the Krever Commission of Inquiry on the Blood System in Canada, which has been looking into the circumstances of transmission of the HIV virus to some Canadians via blood and blood product transfusions in the early 1980s. Weber asserts, "We were dealing at first with an unknown adversary. We did things the best way we knew at the time, and with the information we then had. We scrambled to develop tests specific for the virus and the blood supply has been safe since successful development of those tests."

The tainted blood problem did not hinder Weber's climb in the Red Cross, which is his life's work, and one to which he brings focus and determination. A friend of mine had interviewed him for another magazine and warned about his loquacious boundless energy. "Be prepared or he'll take charge of the interview," she advised. But this morning, even the robust George Weber seems to have met his match: a long flight back from Beijing, where he spoke at the World Conference on Women. "Do you need a coffee?" he inquires. "I definitely am having one," he says. I know he believes the media are both his saviour and Achilles' heel. Media attention to a disaster can help an appeal, and lack of it can be a great hindrance. Weber is preoccupied with what he feels are under-reported disasters such as flooding in North China, where some 194 million people are affected, the refugees of Bhutan and those displaced from Sri Lanka. "I have trouble with themedia because there's not 'humanitarian proportionality,' " he says. "The humanitarian value set competes with the econonic value set." There is little doubt as to which Weber thinks should take priority. The Red Cross needs free publicity. Weber recently encouraged the satellite company Inmarsat to give its Director General the discretionary right to waive call charges in disaster relief operations and for humanitarian purposes on a case-by-case basis. "We would love to be able to access free space for ourselves for two or three weeks, particularly after a major national disaster," he told the Inmarsat company magazine, planting a hopefulsuggestion.

In terms of communication, there's nothing like the personal touch, and Weber often visits member societies and helping with appeals. What does it mean to launch an appeal "A couple of ex-pats are sent to evaluate the situation, to try to decide how many victims there are, how many victims we can service and how much money is needed for recovery. We always try to help at least 10 percent of the most vulnerable people.' The International Federation works through local Red Cross societies, such as the one Weber led in Canada.

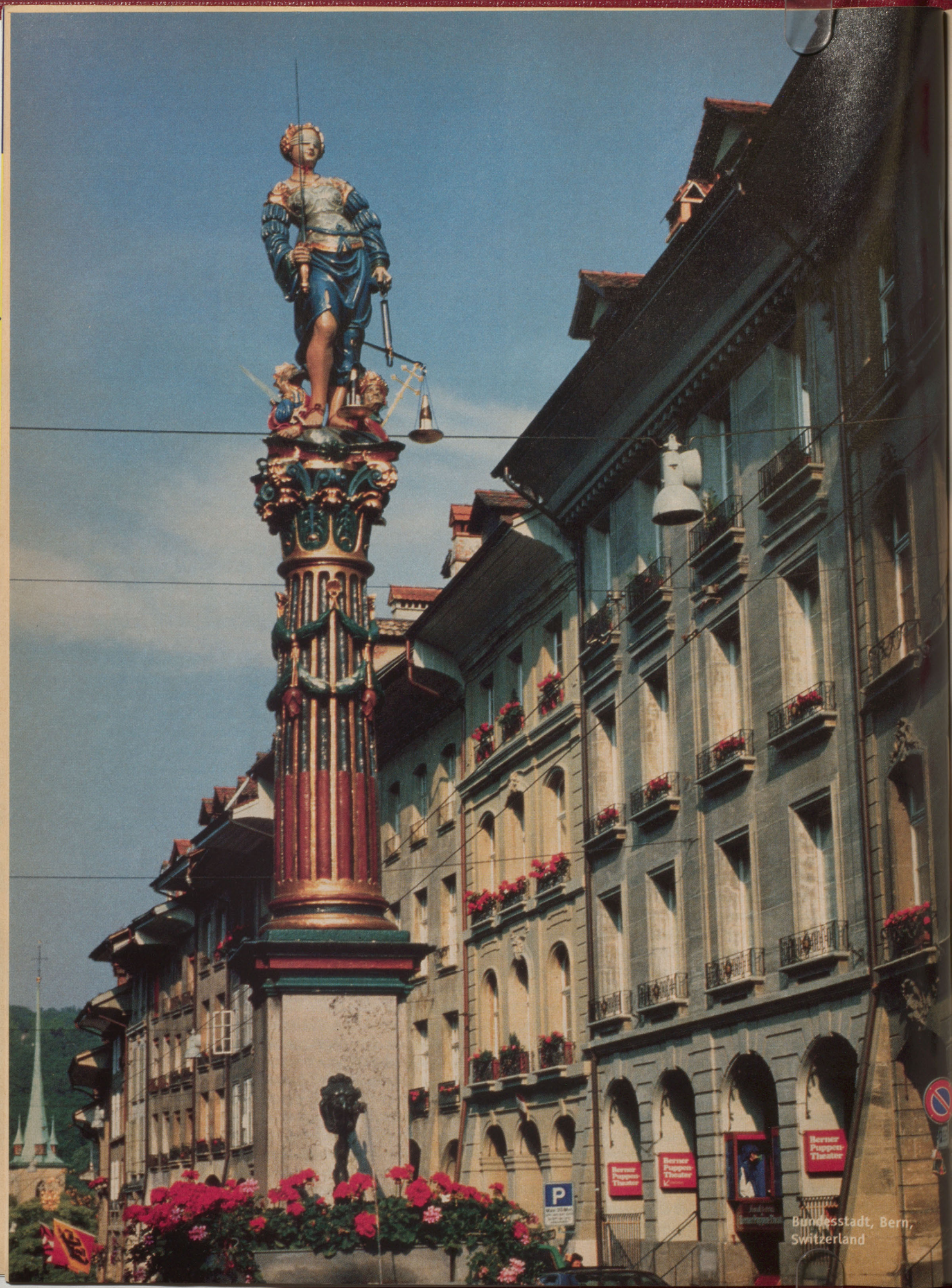


Weber's schedule is hectic and he travels incessantly, sometimes looking at his plane ticket late at night for bearings. But while the strife and disasters can be unpredictable, one thing is sure: Weber has certainly expanded the scope for a McGill education graduate. He first began to study engineering at Concordia University, a self-described "false start," then turned to McGill, where he earned a diploma in physical education at the Macdonald Campus, then went to McGill's downtown campus for the degree, as was the system in 1970. Weber, a swimmer and deep sea diver, moved on to do a master's degree in exercise physiology, focussing on heredity and the physical capability of twins, and in the process met his wife, Dr. Mary Ellen Morris, PhD'71, who had a lab next to his. She is a neurophysicist at the University of Ottawa, but on sabbatical in Geneva.

I ask him the obvious alumni magazine question: what is the value of an education degree? "I think it gave me good grounding in terms of dealing with people, coaching and developing people, and trying to unleash their creativity and their imagination." For those interested in an international career, Weber recommends combining an undergraduate degree with some international manage- ment experience and at least five languages: French, English, Spanish, Arabic and Mandarin.

His tenure as Secretary-General comes at a crucial time in world history: the end of the Cold War era. Weber believes the fall of the bipolar blocks has increased the insecurity through unleashing a series of conflicts. "There have been some improvements, such as with some communicable diseases. We thought we had civilized behaviour, that we'd seen the end of bad things with the Holocaust. Yet in Rwanda we see ethnic cleansing; have we done enough in teaching values, are our structures appropriate?"

He bristles when asked about attacks on the United Nations peacekeepers and Red Cross personnel, organizations accorded immunity through the 1949 Geneva Conventions. Even though his contingent is not supposed to be involved in areas of military conflict, security problems are a factor. "Every year, we lose a number of people. In Burundi, there was an attack on four vehicles, and increasingly we are seen as a target for some groups." The Red Cross has been working with its sister organization, the International Committee of the Red Cross, to make humanitarian law better known and have it applied in a more forceful fashion. For Weber, the need to attack the root causes of these security problems, such as poverty, are crucial. "Many of our problems are attached to the breakdown of the family and of values. Yet, how do you teach values to a 10-year-old with nothing to eat?" While poverty is a preoccupation of the Red Cross, it is much less successful in recruiting money for development projects than for disaster relief. Weber explains his interpretation of the international system in simple terms: "It comes down to power and economic gain – everybody wanting their share of the pie." Under his leadership, the Red Cross aims to reserve a piece of the pie for those not fortunate enough to be at the table.



Bundesstadt, Bern, Switzerland

Is decentralized Switzerland the model for Canada? In this essay, André Liebich, BA'68, examines the intricate complexities of the issue

FEDERALISM: SWISS STYLE

What do the Swiss know that we don't ? As Canada's federalist system experiences strain, Switzerland is often cited as a model, especially because it is one of the wealthiest countries in the world despite linguistic and cultural divisions. But can the Swiss example be transplanted to Canadian soil?

The analogies between Switzerland and Canada are striking for someone who has lived in Montreal most of his life and now finds himself in Geneva. With 6.8 million people, Switzerland has roughly one-quarter the population of Canada. A French-speaking minority (known as Romands) of just under one-quarter of the country's population confronts a dominant majority (German-speaking, in the Swiss case) within a federal system. Instead of bringing the country to the brink of dissolution, Switzerland's linguistic communities – including a small Italian community (four percent of the population) and a very small but recognized fourth one (one percent Romansch) – cooperate in apparent harmony. However, upon closer observation, the Swiss formula for successful coexistence is not easily transferable. The circumstances

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André Liebich at the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva

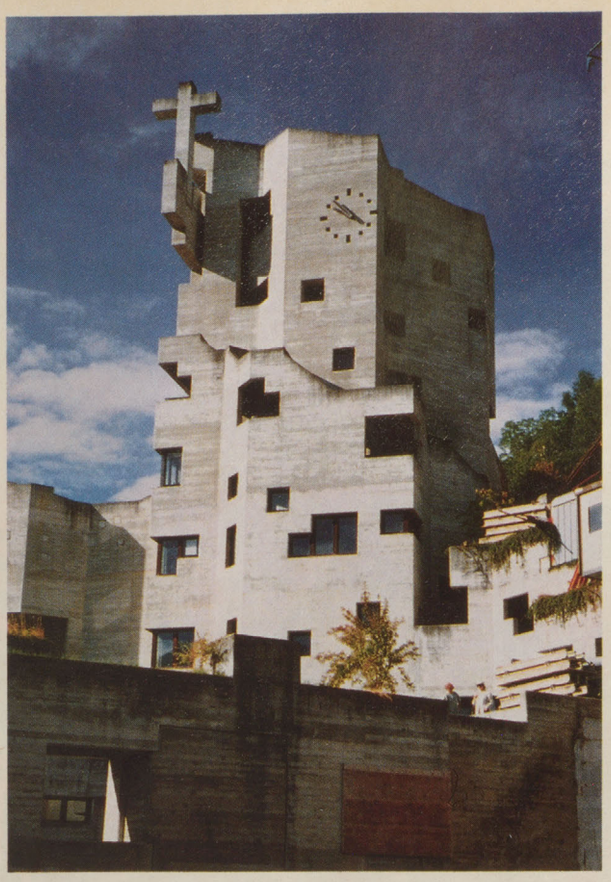
that have created inter-community cooperation in Switzerland are unique. Moreover, Swiss harmony is under increasing strain with some groups wanting to join the European Union, for instance, and others questioning the Swiss neutrality which has prevented internal divisions and obviated the need for rapid government decisions in dealing with world conflicts and wars.

Historically, the Swiss are neither particularly pacific nor particularly accommodating. The main export of this country during the 16th and 17th centuries was mercenaries, and even today Switzerland has the largest reserve army in Europe. Before the Swiss became the world's foremost innkeepers they enjoyed a reputation as brigands and one travelled through alpine passes at one's own peril. As Upper and Lower Canada were undergoing the rebellions of 1837, Switzerland was being torn apart in civil strife that pitted conservative Catholic cantons against liberal Protestant ones. (Roman Catholics slightly outnumber Protestants.)

Switzerland's saving grace has been that it has had a long time to work out its problems. Officially, the Helvetic Confederation, Switzerland's formal name, is just over 700 years old, and it took over 500 years to settle on its present borders. More significantly, Switzerland's contradictions appeared on the agenda one by one rather than simultaneously. The initial opposition between rural and urban cantons was defused before the opposition between Protestant and Catholic cantons split the country at the time of the Reformation. This religious division was largely absorbed by the time the present linguistic cleavage came to the fore.

The sources of previous tensions survive and Switzerland accommodates many combinations of differences. Language does not coincide with religion any more than does the urban/rural division. Some French- or German-speaking cantons are urban and Protestant, whereas others are neither. In federal politics too, crisscrossing cleavages mean that political parties are not linguistically or regionally defined. One can hardly imagine a "bloc romand" along the lines of the Bloc Québécois, although the single Italian speaking canton, Ticino, does have a "Lega ticinesa," a right wing political party.

The eminent Swiss historian, Herbert Luthy, has argued that while every country in Europe undertook an ambitious program of centralization to make itself more powerful, the secret of Switzerland's survival is that it never became a modern state: the cantons would not tolerate it. To this day, medieval communal traditions linger. Swiss citizens have a "commune of origin," rather than the place of birth, stamped in their passport, and a foreigner seeking Swiss naturalization must first be accepted by a commune. The result of such unbroken continuity is paradoxical: Switzerland is both the oldest democracy in Europe and the last to grant women the vote (in 1971).



Eglise St. Nicolas Hérémence: High in the rural village of Hérémence architect M. Walter Forderer designed this 1,500 seat stone Roman Catholic Church. About three million Swiss are Roman Catholics, primarily in the French-speaking cantons

Switzerland is run on a strictly territorial principle: you and your children are expected to speak the language of the area in which you happen to live. If that is not agreeable, your only option is to move

The linchpin of the Swiss political system is the 20 cantons and six half-cantons (has anyone thought of half-provinces in Canada?). The Swiss take their cantons very seriously indeed. When people refer to "the Republic," they mean Geneva, not Switzerland. The latter is referred to as "Bern," the capital, in much the same disdainful way that Canadians talk of "Ottawa." And it is the cantons that have clout. The constitution defines Switzerland as an "alliance" of its member units. It guarantees the sovereignty of cantons, leaving the federal government only those powers that the cantons entrust to it. Until recently, direct federal taxation was referred to as the "defence tax," suggesting that running the army is Bern's only proper function. Very recently, the canton of Jura refused to extradite a political offender to Bern authorities for a crime committed in the capital. Those Canadian federalists who refer to Canada as "the most decentralized country" in the world have not seen Switzerland.

The overwhelming importance of the cantons encompasses the sphere of linguistic rights and it is here that one encounters the greatest difference from Canada. Yes, Switzerland has three official languages and a fourth national one, but it is the cantons that set the linguistic rules and almost all cantons have opted for unilingualism. In Geneva, one has a better chance of making oneself understood in English than in German. There are no minority-language schools since education is a cantonal matter. When some Swiss Romands in Zurich tried to set up a private French-language school, the courts prohibited it. Even federal authorities who correspond with citizens in all official languages

out of Bern defer to the linguistic character of each canton. Local Swiss post offices are not "pleased to serve you in the language of your choice," and the train conductor on the federal railway changes his call from "*billets*" to "*Fahrkarten*" whenever he crosses one of the linguistic borders. In the few bilingual cantons, and the trilingual one of Graubünden, linguistic borders are just as tightly defined, but by commune rather than canton. In short, Switzerland is run on a strictly territorial principle: you and your children are expected to speak the language of the area in which you happen to live. If that is not agreeable, your only option is to move.

Is territorial unilingualism the price of linguistic peace? Many Swiss seem to think so. Recent efforts to give Swiss federal authorities greater constitutional powers in the language sphere have met resolute opposition. Most tellingly, Switzerland's youngest canton, Jura, was created in 1978 to separate two linguistic groups. Both the Jura problem and the manner of its resolution will sound familiar to Quebecers. After decades of tension between the canton of Bern's germanophone majority and a francophone minority in its Jura districts, the issue was decided by referendum. In this case, however, there was not one referendum but half a dozen spread over a decade: first, the Bernese voted on whether there should be a referendum; then the Jurasians voted to create a new canton; then the Jurasians voted again (several times) to establish the borders of this canton; then the Swiss voted to confirm the entry of a new canton into the Confederation. And we complain about referendum fatigue in Quebec?

The Jura example demonstrates that the Swiss can be flexible, even about something as sacred as cantonal borders. Notwithstanding such flexibility and immense reserves of stability, the gulf between Swiss francophones and germanophones is growing. It manifests itself in such lifestyle issues as highway speed limits (francophones drive faster) and health bills (francophones' medical costs are higher). Most strikingly, Switzerland is split down linguistic lines over the issue of European Union: francophones are eager to join, but germanophones argue that Switzerland wouldn't count for much among the big states, and they have a fear of Brussels' centralizing appetite, of forced standardization, and of foreigners taking Swiss jobs. Furthermore, as Chateaubriand lamented, Switzerland was built on the miseries of others; the contemporary equivalent is numbered bank accounts, and now European money is flooding in as EU nationals fear the effects of monetary union on bank confidentiality. This has put francophone proponents of the EU at disadvantage.

Even more fundamentally, the Swiss find it increasingly difficult to communicate with each other. In the past, Swiss germanophones would speak French with their Romand compatriots, out of deference to the minority and because of the prestige of the French language. This is no longer the case. Moreover, to differentiate from the German spoken by their neighbours, since the 1930s Swiss germanophones have increasingly forsaken standard German in favour of Swiss-German dialects, about as impermeable to outsiders as joual is to non-Québécois. The result is that when Swiss francophones and germanophones do business, they often end up speaking English.

If Canada were to follow the Swiss model it would have to look at the implications of regional unilingualism and slow centralized decision-making which would be inappropriate for a country which relies on export income for one-third of its gross domestic product. Canada would be unable to rely on the advantages gained through Swiss neutrality, the income from international organizations and savings accounts.

There may be comfort in knowing that others have problems, even those who seem to have solved them. On reflection, perhaps there is even comfort in knowing that Canada cannot borrow solutions from elsewhere. After all, this leaves us with the realization that we are the only ones who can work out our own problems.

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The small French-speaking city of Sion alleges to be the place of the first referendum in the world. Located in the heart of Switzerland's wine region, many citizens favour joining the European Union to stimulate trade

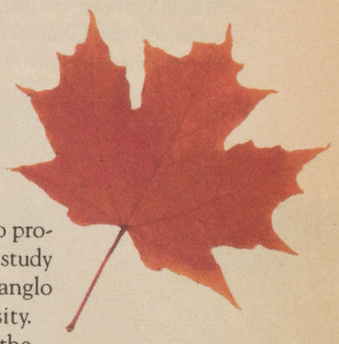
MORTON'S

He won't go quietly: Desmond Morton, director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada

MANDATE

by Howard Bokser

"The more we know about Canada, the more we'll want to keep it together"
– Desmond Morton, Director, the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada



October 30, 1995: a day Canadians won't soon forget. A nation of nearly 30 million people on the verge, and then. . . a resounding Maybe. *À la prochaine*. As dizzying an experience as the Quebec referendum was for us all – no matter what side of the issue – imagine its effect on a man brought in just one year prior to run an institute whose mission is "to promote a better understanding of Canada through the study and appreciation of our heritage," at that perceived "anglo fortress" in the heart of Quebec, McGill University. Such is the fate of Desmond P. Morton, director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada (MISC).

If Morton, 58, is intimidated by the challenges facing McGill, Quebec and Canada, he hides it well. In a post-referendum speech in November, he said, "I have never been busier or happier in my life." The noted Canadian historian's background has well prepared him for this role. "All of [my previous research interests] are about conflict and resolution," he said after his arrival at McGill, "about people working together to achieve things, and often failing, and trying again."

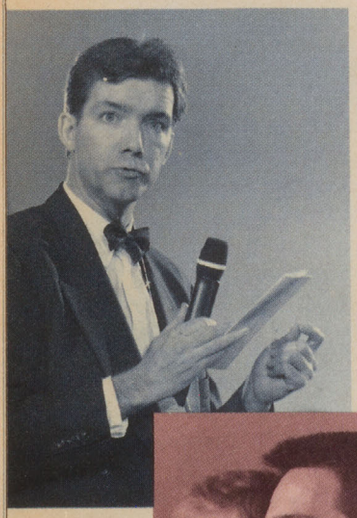
Although its mission statement makes no mention of defending federalism, and despite McGill's official non-partisan position, the Institute's very existence advocates Canadian unity. Morton professes no illusions, though, about trying to save the country: "No academic institute anywhere can change the course of history." Instead, through teaching, hosting conferences and seminars, producing the occasional research paper, and through media appearances by Morton himself, the MISC is taking a pro-active role in the sovereignty debate. "I think that our goal to help Canada is perhaps a very ambitious one," he concedes. "But there is an academic assumption that if you explore a problem, the dimensions of the solution will gradually emerge. And if you don't explore them, they won't. By studying an issue, by being aware of an issue, I think you move the issue on."

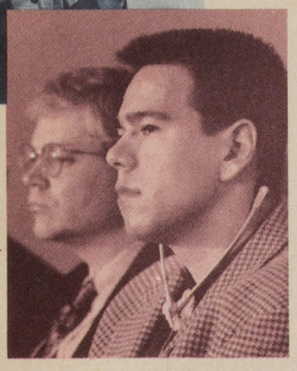
Studying Canada – and thereby moving the issues on – is what the Institute is all about. The MISC was established in 1993 thanks to a $10 million gift from Andrea and Charles Bronfman, Arts'52, LLD'90, Co-Chairman of the Seagram Company Ltd. Seagram's, the Montreal-based distiller, has a long history of interest in our country – it hired Stephen Leacock to write a book celebrating Canada after his (forced) retirement from McGill in 1936. Charles Bronfman's own feelings have been obvious to all Quebecers since the eve of the 1976 provincial election when he warned, "If the PQ forms the next government, it's going to be pure, absolute hell." In the subsequent years Bronfman has maintained a lower political profile but has continued his support for Canada. One of the main projects of the Charles R. Bronfman Foundation, for instance, is the Canadian Heritage Program, which produces one-minute dramatizations, in English and French, of significant people and events in Canadian history. "It seems sad that most of our time and energy is being spent on unity issues," he said recently, "and it is sad to see the country diverted from other goals." Bronfman would like to see Quebec concentrating more on economic problems.

The University matches the MISC's private funds – its operating budget

for 1995-96 is $890,000. There is a board of trustees, made up of Charles Bronfman and 12 other notable Canadians such as Patrick Watson, former head of the CBC, and Joe Ghiz, Dean of Law of Dalhousie University and former premier of Nova Scotia. The Institute and its director are on a three-year probation period, and an unfavourable review by the board, although unlikely, could lead to a phased withdrawal of the Bronfman gift. Morton has every intention of avoiding that contingency.

Traditionally a supporter of athletics at McGill, Bronfman's wish to champion Canada fit perfectly with McGill's long-standing desire to strengthen its weak Canadian Studies program. Then-dean of Arts John McCallum, who left McGill in 1994 to become the Royal Bank of Canada's chief economist, put forth a series of proposals to the Charles Bronfman family in 1992, stressing McGill's pan-Canadian and international strengths, as well as Montreal's cultural diversity. The Bronfmans accepted the final proposal, and the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada opened its doors in June 1993, with Morton coming on board in March 1994. The position of director of the MISC was considered so prestigious that McCallum says that he debated vying for it himself and leaving his post as dean. In the end, he states, "I was never a candidate," and adds, "I think Desmond Morton was a great choice."





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In accordance with the proposal, the MISC has spent money to allow the English and Political Sciences departments to hire, on a short-term basis, two junior faculty. The Institute sponsored five new undergraduate courses in September 1994, including Nationalisms in Canada and Canadian Studies seminars. The MISC doesn't offer graduate courses but does grant five graduate fellowships. In addition, this fall the Seagram Visiting Fellows and the Seagram International Fellows programs were launched (through another gift by Seagram's). The Institute funds special interdisciplinary courses that are part of the Canadian Studies curriculum, such as Material Culture in Canada, offered through the School of Architecture, which focuses on objects, artifacts and places that have played an active role in defining Canadian culture. Professor Annmarie Adams, BA'81, says of the MISC, "It's been a catalyst at McGill to bring people from different departments together. Most importantly, it's given a place to Canadian Studies."

Coming in from the cold at the MISC's cozy Peel Street offices, a maple leaf toque pulled down over his ears and ever-present reading glasses perched on his nose, Morton appears more scholarly than military. Yet the Calgary native attended the Collège Militaire Royal de St-Jean before receiving his BA from the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston in 1959. He rose to Captain in the Canadian Army and historical officer at National Defence Headquarters, then left the army to assume the position of assistant provincial secretary of the New Democratic Party of Ontario. Along the way, he earned an MA from Oxford and a PhD from the University of London (from the London School of Economics), leading Morton to scholarship. After a teaching stint at the University of Ottawa, Morton landed at the University of Toronto in 1969, where he remained until the MISC came calling. He was Principal of the U of T's Erindale College from 1986 to '94, and he retains his professorship there while seconded at McGill. "Like the Institute itself," Morton says, "my future is subject to review." Morton has taught and published numerous books and articles on Canadian military and social history, labour and industrial relations, and politics. He recently co-authored, along with J.L. Granatstein, *Victory 1945: Canadians from War to Peace* (HarperCollins, 1995). Morton admits that heading east down the 401 makes him "sort of a 'Wrong Way Corrigan,' " but how could he have resisted such an offer? "Jobs for us old white guys are getting scarce."

Jack Goldsmith

Great Debate: (opposite) Bloc Québecois advisor Daniel Turp, Concordia political science professor Gerald Alfred, and (above, left) "No" committee chair Michel Bélanger at the MISC's January 1995 forum; (right) McGill Canadian Studies professor Natalie Cooke

Morton believes that Canadian Studies as a discipline has a "Mickey Mouse" reputation – not only at McGill but elsewhere. He counters, "There are some dramatic controversies in Canada's past and some fascinating and outspoken individuals. Embalmed in textbooks, they cause no offence, nor much interest, either. I have sometimes argued that Canadian history should be banned from the schools as a subject unfit for young minds. Then, of course, those young minds would read it avidly, with flashlights under the covers."

Canadian Studies programs can be found in more than 120 universities worldwide, but there are only a few in Canadian schools – including Carleton, Trent and Simon Fraser universities – and Morton believes that McGill has the only significant Canadian Studies program in Quebec. Jean-Guy Bigeau, executive director of the Association for Canadian Studies, says that what distinguishes the MISC from other Canadian Studies programs is its focus on workshops and seminars, its board of trustees and "a mandate to provoke public debate." The MISC's seminars and conferences have attracted diverse participants. Not all events have a Quebec slant: for example, in January 1995 CityTV and MuchMusic founder Moses Znaimer, BA'63, and former McGill principal David Johnston discussed the information highway;

January 1996 saw a seminar on affordable hospital care; another conference is being planned for 1996 in conjunction with the report by the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples.

But of course, the Quebec Question can't be – and isn't – ignored. In January 1995 the MISC held a nationally telecast bilingual forum entitled "A Preview of Our Year of Choice," featuring federalist and sovereignist, and francophone and anglophone viewpoints. In February 1996, Alberta Premier Ralph Klein was the keynote speaker for an MISC conference about Canada's future. Do these conferences have any effect, and are they debates at all or simply a free pulpit for politicians and academic-types? Morton bristles at this negative inference. "It was precisely this level of debate [between the participants] that provoked such ample comment, particularly in the French media." He adds that news people from outside the province found it a "revelation" that "francophones in Quebec both condemn federalism and support it with considerable passion."

When the Institute opened in 1993, the prospect of a separate Quebec was remote: the Yes side had less than 40 percent of Quebecers' support. But soon after came the 1994 election victory by the separatist Parti Québécois, followed by the June 12, 1995, signing of the agreement to renegotiate with Canada by the three separatist leaders – Lucien Bouchard, Jacques Parizeau and Mario Dumont – and the drafting of the Quebec declaration of independence. Next came the formulating of the referendum question and the announcement of the voting date, October 30, and finally – and most significantly – the parachuting in of Bouchard to take over the campaign three weeks preceding the referendum. When all the shouting was done, of the four-million-plus Quebec voters, 49.4 percent said "yes" to beginning the process of leaving Canada; 50.6 percent said "no." Rejected ballots notwithstanding, about 50,000 votes made the difference.

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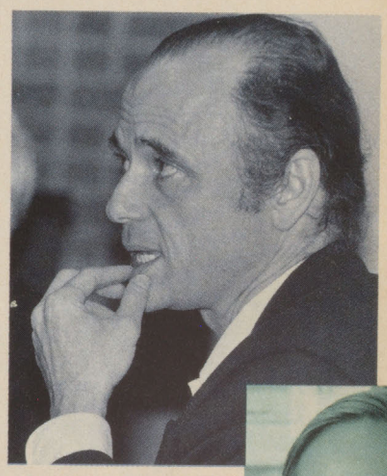
Much has happened since the referendum to make any federalist uneasy, including Parizeau's resignation and subsequent replacement as Premier of Quebec by Lucien Bouchard, uncertain leadership by the federalist forces in Ottawa and Quebec, and the return of a hardened attitude in Western Canada. Morton remains optimistic. "I profoundly believe that people are ruled by both reason and emotion."

Morton likens our current dilemma to a married couple heading for a messy divorce. And, he warns, "What kind of divorce would it be if the two former partners have to continue sharing the kitchen and the bathroom?" But divorce, insists Morton, is not imminent. Like a good marriage counsellor, he knows that the best role for this small Institute is as a facilitator. "My task is to help study the research and communication of the issues and facts that people need to make sensible decisions. In a democracy, people are the decision-makers, however much they want to pass that burden to elected political leaders."

To help Canadians reach a decision, in the media and at lectures since the referendum, Morton has listed what he sees as the realistic options for Canada and their consequences: "a) We can prepare for the end of the world's third oldest federal system; b) we can get ready to use force to keep Canada together; or c) we can do what it takes to make federalists of a healthy majority of Quebecers." For option a), a breakup would mean sorting out Quebec's share of the national debt, its boundaries, and thousands of Ontario-Quebec agreements. "International law is generous," says Morton. "[Quebec] would get all the federal assets on its territory, from buildings to jet fighters. Canada gets all the liabilities, from MPs' pensions to national debt." If an agreement was reached for Quebec to pay back its billions of dollars of mutually achieved debt, Canada must keep its former province prosperous enough to pay. "Bury all those vengeful schemes to make Quebec miserable," Morton says. For option b), the use of force, Morton is blunt: "Civil war is horrible beyond imagining. No."

That leaves c): persuading Quebecers to keep the country together. This Calgary-born, British-educated Canadian Army veteran believes: "What devours the heart of the Quebec-Canada relationship most Quebecers will recognize and most other Canadians will instinctively deny: a lack of respect." Morton continues, "To show respect, Canadians don't have to agree that every Quebec grievance is justified. [Showing respect] works from common decency, understanding, and just a little of that affection so many Canadians were eager to show on October 27 [the Unity Rally in Montreal]." He recommends appointing a Royal Commission similar to the recent commission on aboriginal peoples, to be headed by respected non-politicians such as Peter Lougheed and Pierre-Marc Johnson. "Oh, you groan, another commission?" Morton said in a post-referendum speech. "But do you really know what Quebec federalists really want? Does Preston Manning or even Jean Chrétien?" He adds, "I hope that by spelling out options I can persuade people that some are better than others."



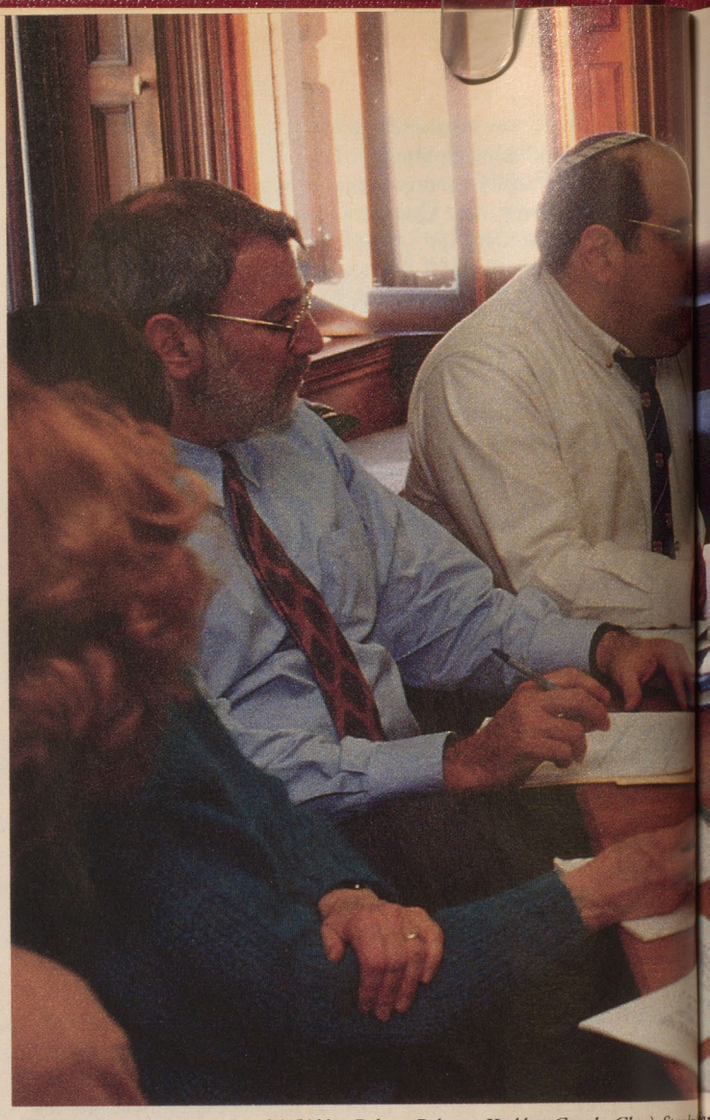
Can Culture: Canadian television mogul Moses Znaimer, BA'63, opines on the information highway, January 1995; Professor Annmarie Adams, BA'81, educates on Material Culture in Canada

If Quebec says good-bye to the other provinces, Morton feels that the MISC will lose none of its relevance but rather will serve it "with an authentic and thorough understanding of the Canada it has left." He believes that McGill, as a centre of values, teaching and learning, will remain an important asset to Quebec, and the government will recognize that. As for McGill's official impartiality in the referendum debate, Morton says, "Universities are, by definition, 'universal.' They cease to be universities if they engage in political battles for other than their basic existence and for the values of free enquiry."

Morton is not impartial. "The more we know about Canada, the more we'll want to keep it together," he says, "the more we will appreciate what an enormous achievement this country has been and the more it is a model for a crowded world in which different people must live together. We have made a prosperous life in a difficult climate. We have adapted technologies, from those of our First Nations to the latest understanding of electronics. We have achieved things together that we could never have managed (or afforded) separately, from medicare to the sovereign association of the CBC and SRC."

Is anyone out there listening?

McGill ethicists help ensure that medical research conforms to the highest scientific and ethical standards



Clinical trials research group: from left (hidden: Roberta Palmour, Kathleen Cranley Glass), Stanley

DO THE RIGHT

by Dr. Charles Weijer, BA'93, MSc'95

Research ethics is one of medicine's newest and fastest growing disciplines. Situated neither fully within medicine nor within the humanities, it rests in a transitional zone where scientific fact and moral principle have equal weight. For the last five years, the Clinical Trials Research Group (CTRG) has devoted itself to disentangling the complicated issues dealing with the testing of new medical interventions, such as pharmaceutical drugs or medical devices (e.g., artificial joints). To date, our group is known for advocating more open access to clinical trials as well as arguing against the use of placebos. Since you may one day be asked by your doctor to participate, it is worthwhile to understand the clinical trial procedure.

Clinical trials are conventionally divided into three phases. Early-stage clinical trials (phase I) evaluate the safety of new treatments in humans. Usually these studies involve healthy volunteers who may be recruited through advertisements. Later studies (phase II) test if the drug works in a specific group of patients. If the first two phases of drug evaluation show the treatment to be promising, then a large-scale study, called a phase III study, involving hundreds or even thousands of patients, is initiated to compare the new treatment with the best available therapy. Patients may be asked to participate by their own doctor at the phase II or III stage.

Far from being "guinea pigs," recent studies suggest that study participants may actually receive *better treatment for their illness*. In a 1989 editorial in the prestigious *British Medical Journal*, cancer specialist Charles Stiller reviewed the results of studies that compared the survival rates of cancer patients treated in research studies with those treated in clinical practice. The result was surprising: cancer patients in research studies lived longer.

Although the results await definitive confirmation, the finding seems to support the long-held suspicion of many cancer specialists that superior treatment is given in research studies. The advantages conferred by research participation seem to be due to the careful manner in which treatment and follow-up are delivered. Treatments within research studies are controlled by a protocol – a finely detailed plan of action – which defines when treatments are to be given, how much will be given, and when the intensity of treatment should be reduced. Patients in research studies are also followed more closely: frequent follow-up examinations are set out by the study protocol to measure the effect of treatment and to detect side-effects as early as possible. If study participation does offer benefit to patients, research ethicists must ensure that patients are not unjustly denied access to research studies.

Armed with the belief that more patients might benefit from research, McGill philosopher Benjamin Freedman, cancer researcher Abraham Fuks, BSc'68, MD'70 (now McGill's Dean of Medicine), and biosta-

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ain Freedman, Charles Weijer, Trudo Lemmens, Myriam Skrutkowska, Karen Lebacqz

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tistician-epidemiologist Stanley Shapiro launched the Clinical Trials Research Group in 1990 to study ethical issues in medical research.

At the time the group began looking into the issue, it was widely believed that the ethical requirement for written informed consent – a document which details, among other things, all the possible risks of treatment – discouraged many from participating in clinical trials. Others speculated that individual physicians, reluctant to participate in research, prevented patients from signing up for studies. The CTRG's investigation revealed that neither of these factors was the most important. The biggest deterrent against enrolment turned out to be the criteria for trial eligibility within the studies themselves, a checklist by which each potential subject is evaluated before being allowed into a study. Eligibility criteria are written by the persons designing a clinical trial and at times it seems trial designers, in an attempt to make a study maximally "scientific," are overly zealous in restricting the people eligible to participate. Indeed, the CTRG found that while some of these criteria are essential (e.g., criteria defining the disease to be studied), it concluded that many are not (e.g., criteria excluding older persons and women of reproductive age from participation). A more open-door policy to trial enrolment, the CTRG argued, would both allow more patients to participate and, by virtue of greater diversity within studies, would make study results more relevant to clinical practice.

Clinical trials came to the attention of the Canadian public with the 1994 case of Dr. Roger Poisson, a well-respected breast cancer surgeon at Hôpital St-Luc in Montreal, who falsified data on 99 women participating in clinical trials for the treatment of early-stage breast cancer. Although Dr. Poisson claimed that he was just trying to do the best for his patients by giving them an opportunity for a new treatment, an investigation by the U.S. Office for Research Integrity revealed that three patients with a history of heart disease were exposed to a chemotherapy drug known to cause heart damage. Moreover, it seems that several of the women were not properly informed that they were participating in a research study.

Why would a researcher engage in fraud and endanger patients? We can only speculate as to the motivation in this specific case. As research funding has become more and more restricted over the last decade, many researchers have felt under pressure to "get

results." Furthermore, substantial rewards await the successful researcher: authorship of articles in prestigious journals, increased research funding, the respect of one's peers, and even fame. Part of the job description of the ethicist, then, must also be to ensure that the subjects of human experimentation are protected. This means ensuring that research participants are properly informed about the nature of the study and that the medical care of research participants is never disadvantaged. The task, then, of research ethics is rather like that of Ulysses, to chart a course between the Charybdis of harming research subjects and the Scylla of over-protecting them.

The Clinical Trials Research Group was later joined by other investigators from disparate backgrounds, including lawyers Kathleen Cranley Glass, LLB'80, BCL'80, DCL'91, and Trudo Lemmens, LLM'95, theologian Karen Lebacqz, nurse-clinician Myriam Skrutkowska, BSc(N)'85, CertHMgt'92, and myself, a physician pursuing graduate work in experimental medicine. These additions reflect founder Freedman's belief that the complex problems posed by medical research would admit no simple solution: satisfactory answers could only come from a multidisciplinary approach. Achieving multidisciplinarity, though, has proven to be one of the greatest challenges facing the group. Putting people from differing backgrounds in the same room is easy; communicating effectively is something else entirely. In order to work together, each of the group members has been forced to learn the language of the other disciplines: the lawyer has had to learn the language of the statistician; the philosopher, the language of the physician; and the theologian, the language of the lawyer. As a result, each group member is constantly under pressure to broaden his or her own academic scope. Group meetings are, according to one experienced member, at times, "like going back to school."

Charles Weijer

Funded by both the Medical Research Council and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, the Clinical Trials Research Group meets once every one to two weeks in Benjamin Freedman's office. Each meeting is generally devoted to discussing one of the group's ongoing projects. The members present their work on a specific question; discussion and criticism from other group members follows. When research questions involve highly specialized research areas, the CTRG will frequently invite experts from those research areas to advise and collaborate. For example, the research group is currently examining issues in genetic research and recently met with McGill geneticist Roberta Palmour.

One contentious issue that the Clinical Trials Research Group has recently struggled with well illustrates the challenges – and rewards – of a multidisciplinary approach. The controversy centres on the use of placebos ("sugar pills") in medical research. In Canada and the United States, new drugs must be proven safe and effective before licensure. The evidence comes from carefully conducted phase III clinical trials in which two groups of patients are compared: one group that receives the new drug, and the other that receives a "control" treatment. When effective treatment exists for a disease, the control treatment is usually the best treatment available. If no treatment currently exists for a disease, patients in the control group may be given a placebo.

Research examining new treatments for mental illness has tested new drugs against placebos since the 1950s. This practice was unproblematic – and, indeed, necessary – in the early days of psychiatric research for the simple reason that few good treatments existed. However, after four decades of research, many clearly effective treatments have been found for a range of psychiatric disorders, including acute schizophrenia, depression and manic depression. Problematically, many psychiatric researchers continue to insist that all new drugs for mental illness be tested against placebo, even if it means depriving some patients with treatable mental illnesses of therapy for a period of weeks or months. Good science, they say, demands it.

Concerned that patients with mental illness might be harmed by participating in such studies, three members of the Clinical Trials Research Group (Freedman, Glass and myself) set out to challenge the inappropriate use of placebos in medical research, including psychiatry. We maintained that no single approach – ethical, legal, or statistical – can comprehensively address such a complex problem. Each of the three members challenged the necessity (and permissibility) of placebos from his or her base discipline. As the statistician, I argued that placebos are not required by science; indeed, comparing new treatments to standard therapy gives more useful information to the physician. The philosopher argued that international codes of ethics, including the influential World Medical Association's Declaration of Helsinki, forbid the use of placebo when proven therapy exists. The lawyer argued that denying patients effective treatment may constitute medical malpractice. Thus, the three separate strands of argumentation converged on a single point: psychiatric researchers must kick the placebo habit.

The Clinical Trials Research Group is mindful both of its obligation to ensure that patients are not unjustly deprived of the benefits of research participation and of its duty to protect research subjects. In fulfilling these obligations, the CTRG is continuing to help researchers, at McGill and internationally, to "do the right thing." The right thing for science, and, most important of all, the right thing for patients.

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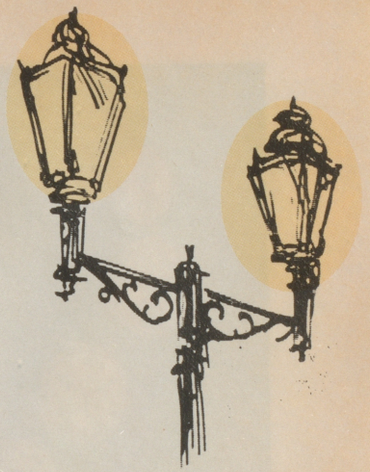

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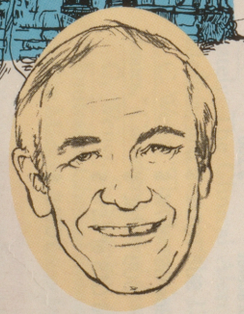

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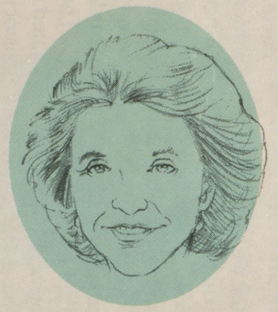

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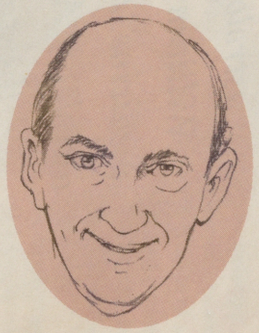

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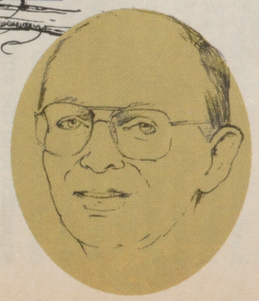

Robbie Burns

At what Peel Street address does the Scottish Poet reside? Winners get a prize.

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McGill's Osler Library has one of the finest collections of early astrological books, owing to the interests of Sir William Osler, who incorporated astrology into his medicine. A frequent user of the Osler Library, Montreal astrologer Axel Harvey examined McGill's position under the stars. Dr. Osler, we think, would not object

by Axel Harvey

What do the stars say about the future of McGill? In mundane astrology – that which is concerned with institutions and events rather than with persons – legal foundations are assumed to occur at noon. The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning was granted its charter at Westminster on 31 March 1821. "Noon" by the gopher's shadow was at around 12:50 Universal Time, but I have nudged this forward to 12: 07 to make the horoscope fit selected historical events more closely. This does not affect the important ninth-house phenomenon.

Any roomful of beginning astrologers will distinguish McGill's position from that of a casino or auto repair shop. Six out of 10 major astrological bodies are squeezed into the ninth house (the domain of higher learning), to which we might add the Moon – less than three degrees beyond the house cusp – and the planetary comet Chiron, to bring the count up to seven or eight bodies: it is all so perfect, in fact, that it could be a parody of astrology!

According to tradition the ninth house (roughly, the 30-degree arc just west of due south) has to do with knowledge – whether gained from travel, study or more esoteric sources. Astrologers have been criticized for conformism, and the ninth-house descriptions they have left in recent centuries do seem to echo one another. By the same token, they all point to the supreme appositeness of McGill's foundation moment.

"By this House we give judgement of Voyages or long journeys beyond Seas. . . ; Dreams, Visions, foraigne [sic] Countries, of Books, Learning . . ." (William Lilly, 1647).

"By the ninth house we are enabled to answer all questions on the safety and success of voyages. . . ; also. . . all matters relating to the arts and sciences are likewise resolved. . ." (Ebenezer Sibly, 1798).

". . . [T]he educated classes: universities and institutions of higher learning, and their administrative and teaching personnel; philosophic and scientific societies and institutions and their publications; all facilities designed to meet the public demand in education. . ." (Nicholas deVore, 1947).

The most splendid comment on the University's horoscope, however, might be that of Firmicus Maternus (circa 335 A.D.): ". . . in general the Sun on any angle [e.g., at the very top of the astrological map, as here] with Mercury will produce literary men educated in various kinds of letters, carrying on different kinds of literary activities. If Jupiter is in aspect, they will become teachers of kings. . . ."

Modern astrologers will admire the harmonic elegance of the Uranus-Neptune conjunction, which sets off the pack of planets between Mars and Saturn with a series of exact aspects: Mars is two-ninths of a full circle away from the conjunction, the bodies in the middle of the group are one-quarter of a circle away, and Saturn is distant by two-sevenths of a circle. This is music: it speaks of drive, devotion and a certain cleverness at getting things done – with a modicum of imagination too, thanks to the Moon-Saturn decile aspect; but the imagination must always be tempered by seriousness. Shucks.

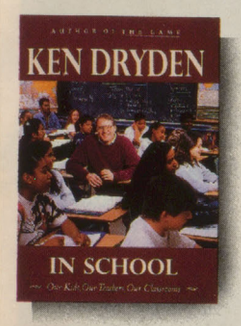
The present budgetary hardships are related to the passage of Saturn – associated with constraint and poverty – through the region at the top of the map containing the mass of planets. Relief, dramatic but brief, will come early in 1998 as Saturn is replaced by Jupiter, the jovial carrier of optimism and expansion. The University must take every advantage possible of the good years 1998 and 1999: starting in December 1999 there will be serious challenges to everything McGill is and does, as the small but difficult planet Pluto begins to throw (hard) 90-degree aspects to the university's Moon and ninth-house tenants.

Of Youth, Sexuality and Healing

In School: Our Kids, Our Teachers, Our Classrooms, *McClelland & Stewart*, 1995, $29.99, by Ken Dryden, LLB'73

"Good teachers don't teach subjects, they teach people." Ken Dryden repeats at both the beginning and end of *In School*. Everything he learned in a year-long observance at Thomas L. Kennedy Secondary School in Mississauga reinforces this simple premise.

As Ontario's former Youth Commissioner, Dryden was disturbed to meet so many drop-outs. He set out to discover why some kids succeed at learning while others surf through the system, skimming the surface uninspired and uninterested. There is, he realizes, "no conspiracy to undermine the system"; just teachers, parents and kids, flawed and harried, juggling the burdens that press in on the day.



The challenge is to involve all kids in the adventure of learning. Time, he concludes, is the solution. Teachers must take the time to project beyond the front row of achievers. Parents must devote the time required to get involved with their kids' lives and to give them a sense of importance. And kids must put in the time to "puzzle and stumble, to know what it feels like to be lost, to keep going, then to know what it feels like when you do understand, that vibration of excitement and pleasure, and the addictive need to feel it over and over." But time, it seems, is a commodity often in short supply.

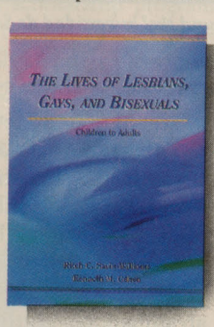
Dryden was inspired to plunge himself into a high school because there, he says, "you witness the present and glimpse at the future."

Dryden cuts through to the very heart of education: the daily relationship between teachers and students in the classroom. In their interaction lies a captivating tale. Their victories and defeats are important messages for students, parents and educators.

Tod Hoffman, BA'85, MA'88

The Lives of Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals: Children to Adults, *Harcourt Brace College Publishers*, 1996, $41.95, by Ritch Savin-Williams and Kenneth Cohen, BA'87

Current research indicates that children who as adults are going to be lesbian, gay or bisexual feel in some way different from their peers. Later, as the child enters adolescence, he or she realizes that this difference is on a sexual level. The adolescent must then cope with internalized homophobia, "come out" to a disapproving society, and hopefully reconcile him or herself to being a member of a sexual minority. For some, this process may lead to serious physical and mental health problems, including depression, suicide and substance abuse. Later on in life other issues arise, such as relationships, children, legal problems, the death of a partner, ageism. This book, edited by Savin-Williams and Cohen, attempts to describe the current state of knowledge of the lives of sexual minorities. Chapters are devoted to topics that are not commonly addressed, such as homosexuality and ethnic minorities, including Native Americans, the elderly homosexual, and children of homosexuals. The book presents the lives of sexual minorities from an American perspective. Much of the research that is reviewed has been done against the backdrop of American society. It is important to ask if this research applies in its entirety to other societies including those of English-and French-speaking Canadians. In summary, this book provides a good overview of the research on the lives of lesbians, gays and bisexuals. The presentation is clinical and academic, which at times can be dry. Nevertheless, it serves as an excellent reference for students of this field.



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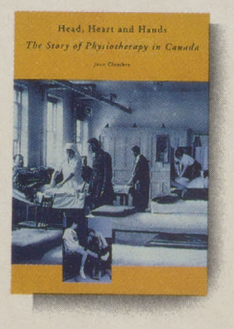
Head, Heart and Hands: The Story of Physiotherapy in Canada, *Canadian Physiotherapy Association*, 1995, $30 (plus $5 shipping), by Joan Cleather, DipP&OT'54, BSc(P&OT)'58

As a former editor of *Physiotherapy Canada*, the author is well poised to write this interesting historical narrative of a helping profession; specifically, about the evidence of validity of treatment theory, data supporting treatment efficacy, and relevance to society's needs.



The chapters each begin with a description of the scope of practice and an explanation of how the early pioneers sought recognition by forming a strong alliance with medicine; and how a few decades later, the profession sought increased autonomy and direct public access. The chapters that cover professional education in university-based programs and the development of physiotherapy science in clinical and academic settings are well researched. Although the science aspect of physiotherapy remains its Achilles' heel, the book clearly documents steps undertaken by the CPA some 30 years earlier to correct this deficit. The last chapter deals with "Trends in Treatment." Unfortunately, "trends" as a term does not do justice to the scientific accomplishments of recent decades, which were anything but trendy.

Recent changes in health care delivery, driven by financial considerations among others, will change the face of physiotherapy in Canada. Voices are urging physiotherapists to be more "lean and mean" in the way they practise. How to remain caring and sensitive professionals in these lean times will be a momentous challenge to physiotherapists. This book provides a sterling example to the profession of how the early pioneers, with very few resources and great determination, left physiotherapists with a legacy to be proud of.

Antoine Helewa
Professor of Physiotherapy
University of Western Ontario

REPORT ON ARGENTINA

by Janice Paskey

Freedom of Speech and Thought: Bill Murchison helped found theUniversidad de San Andres, outside Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires is a city of 11 million people, or about one-third of Argentina's population, and as its name implies, enjoys "good air" or pleasant winds from the neighbouring sea. The change from the smog-heavy Santiago, Chile, which I have just left behind, is immediately noticeable. Those few lonely historians who specialize in Canada's position in the Inter-American system would be quick to point out the Canadian penchant for conducting just about every official visit in the dead of our own winter. And so, if I were to tell you that it was a warm November day when I slunk into Buenos Aires, that would not be entirely surprising.

Less than four percent of all foreign students at Canadian universities are from Latin America, and the situation at McGill is not much different. Hence, McGill graduates in South America are exotic by virtue of their scarceness of numbers. As part of the world-wide branch network, McGill maintains contact in Argentina thanks to our Alumni Association branch leader, Guillermo (Bill) Murchison, BCom'63, who runs a family business specializing in shipping and stevedoring. The office is located in bustling downtown Buenos Aires, not far from Avenida Florida, a boulevard swarming late into the night with people of all ages.

There are 32 McGill graduates in this country of 33 million; some, like the Murchisons, have Canadian connections – Bill Murchison's grandfather came from the Prince Edward Island of pre-confederation times – and yet others found themselves in Montreal by virtue of an affiliation with the United Nations agency, International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). Bill attended McGill in the early sixties, and played rugby along with other sports. His son, Andrew, studied agricultural economics at McGill's Macdonald College, graduated in 1988, and currently manages the farming operation brought into the family through Bill's wife, Mary (née Corbett), who has similar anglo-Argentinian heritage. They met as children and kept in touch through letters while Bill attended McGill. The first year was difficult, he recalls, because of culture shock. "I think I was in Canada for one year before anyone invited me to their home."

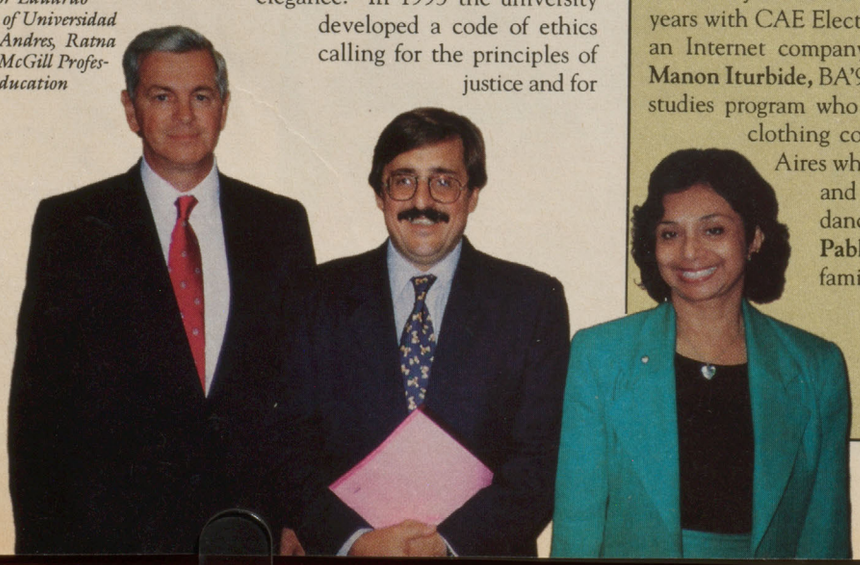
It was at McGill that Bill Murchison became friends with John Cleghorn, BCom'62, now Chairman of the Royal Bank, a friendship that continues. "We were married on the same day on separate continents," Bill recalls. Owing to his desire to pursue an accounting designation, Bill and Mary Murchison spent their honeymoon flying back to Montreal, where they lived on Mountain Street. Two of their four children would be born in Canada.

Janice Paskey, Margaret Gallacher, Marta Irene Coromina, Irene Susana Coromina

Bill Murchison has invited both me and Rhatna Ghosh, Macdonald Professor of Education and acting director of McGill International, to dinner at an historic private club. "Argentinian beef is low in cholesterol because it is range fed," Bill Murchison advises. Our conversation centres on the teaching of ethics and values. Professor Ghosh argues that values and ethics should permeate the curriculum, but that specific courses are valuable. "By putting courses on ethics in the curriculum you are legitimizing the concept of the course and giving it importance," she asserts. Professor Ghosh's recent book *Redefining Milticultural Education* is published by Harcourt Brace (Spring 1996). Of grave concern to Bill Murchison is the formation of Argentina's business and political leaders, and the deterioration of Argentina's higher education system over the last 30 years. As with much of South America, full-time professors are rare, and hence there is little research. "Argentina relies on copying ideas from other parts of the world, and on rote learning," he comments.

To address the problem, he helped found St. Andrew's University (Universidad de San Andres), a private university of about 300 students located on seven hectares in a suburb of Buenos Aires. The difficulties of such a venture were immense. The value of the donations was severely diminished with hyperinflation. Still, today the university is flourishing and expanding into graduate programs. The tuition is US$5,150 per term, with a scholarship program available. A glance at the university prospectus shows such educational objectives as "the ability to think lucidly and to express ideas and convictions with precision and elegance." In 1993 the university developed a code of ethics calling for the principles of justice and for freedom of speech and thought. According to Murchison, the ability to discuss issues freely in Argentinian society has been a recent development. "In this country, we could never discuss things before, such as the deep-rooted lack of morality. Now, society is condemning corruption, such as tax evasion," he comments. Murchison argues that three factors have brought about the change in attitude: hyperinflation, which caused a lack of confidence in the government's ability to manage the economy; the revelations of the dirty war; and the lies told during the Falklands War. "Everyone was convinced we were winning the war right up until the day Argentina was defeated," Murchison says. "There are not many sacred cows left in Argentina anymore. Everything is subject to questioning now."

Bill Murchison, Professor Eduardo Yvorra of Universidad de San Andres, Ratna Ghosh, McGill Professor of Education



A lunch was held for Argentinian graduates at the offices of Murchison SA. I had a chance to meet a number of graduates, such as **Guillermo Besaccia,** BA'92, an economist in the research department of Banco Mildesa, and his sister, **Maria Julia Besaccia,** BA'90, who works with a freight forwarding company. There father was a legal adviser to ICAO when they attended McGill.

As well, there was **Marcos Brujis,** MBA'78, a native Peruvian who is manager of Midland Bank. I was amazed to discover that two graduates, **Irene Susana Coromina,** BA'89, and her mother, **Marta Irene Coromina,** MA'83, had travelled 10 hours from Argentina's second largest city, Cordoba, to attend the event. As with the Besaccias, both were affiliated with ICAO while in Montreal. Also in attendance were **Irene Eisner,** DipArch'93, who studied low-cost housing with Professor David Covo, BSc(Arch)'71, BArch'74, at McGill and who is now renovating homes; **Margaret Gallacher,** BSc'71, who was working at the Montreal General Hospital when she met her husband, an Argentinian doctor – they now live in Buenos Aires and have four children; **Jaime Garcia Ghirelli,** BEng'92, who had just moved back to Buenos Aires after working five years with CAE Electronics in Montreal, and who had started an Internet company called Argentina On-Line S.A.; and **Manon Iturbide,** BA'95, a graduate of McGill's Latin American studies program who is working as a market analyst with a clothing company. She had just moved to Buenos Aires when her apartment building burnt down – and she was without insurance. Also in attendance were **Roberto Navajas,** BEng'84, and **Pablo Navajas,** BA'74, MA'78, who run a family trading company.

In all, thank you to Bill Murchison for sponsoring the event and for his insight into Argentina.

Class Action

For the first time, the McGill Alumni Association joined with the Annual Fund to coordinate Class Action '96. Through Class Action, graduating students canvass their classmates for three-year pledges of between $105 and $140, to fund a specific project in their faculty. (Projects this year include scholarships for nursing, a specialized photocopier for architecture and a clinical camera for dentistry.) This is the fourth year of the program begun as a project by McConnell Fellow Mary-Pat Cormier, BA'90, LLB'96, BCL'96. Co-chairs Ele Balders, BA'96, and Peter Mazoff, BCom'96, along with 40 students, joined academic deans and department directors for the inaugural luncheon in January.

Class Action '96 will continue into the spring when SOAR and the McGill Young Alumni unite with Class Action volunteers to launch the first "Graduating Class Reunion." At a giant outdoor reception at the end of spring classes in April, the Graduating Class Reunion will welcome all graduating students to their first McGill reunion/homecoming.

Claudio Calligaris

With class: Eleanor Balders, Co-Chair of Class Action '96, enjoys a laugh with Barrie D. Birks, BA'70, Chair of the McGill Alma Mater Fund, at the inaugural luncheon, January 11

A Garden Party in the Spirit of James McGill

On June 6, 1996, McGill University will turn back the clocks of the Roddick Gates to the early nineteenth century – a time when Montreal was a bustling fur trading centre and McGill College was still a dream. In the spirit of James McGill and those affiliated with the early development of this Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, a special Garden Party will be hosted to commemorate the 175th anniversary of McGill University. Guests will be invited to stroll the lawns and debate important issues of the day, while period sports and activities take place. Graduating students, alumni, faculty and staff, and members of the Montreal community will be invited to celebrate this Canadian milestone. For more information, please contact the office of McGill 175 at (514) 398-5874.

Fiddling around: Principal Bernard Shapiro (left) and Chancellor Gretta Chambers (right), BA'47, conferred Doctor of Law, honoris causa, degrees to past president of the Alumni Association Warren Chippindale, BCom'49, and renowned violinist Isaac Stern at the fall convocation, October 31

Sending along some T.L.C.

In December, the lives of 438 exam-stressed students were made more pleasant through SOAR's (Student Organization for Alumni Relations) Exam Care Package Program. The Program enabled parents to purchase "stress buster" packages distributed to their children just before exams. Parents from Toronto to Hong Kong ordered SOAR packages that included such goodies as fresh fruit, chocolate bars and passes to University sports events. Many parents took the opportunity to send along notes as well. The most common: "Eat the fruit, give away the chocolate."

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On the hunt: McGill travellers enjoyed a safari in Kenya in October. Left to right: Margaret Davidson, BCom'52, David D. Cohen, BA'52, Frances O'Brien, BA'51, Gil Ross, BA'57, MA'60, Jacques Hébert, BCom'58, and Irene Hébert

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The 75th Anniversary Committee for the Faculty of Music at McGill University is holding a raffle for this beautiful piano. The Faculty is offering this prize to raise funds for student projects, thanks to the generosity of Archambault Music and Yamaha Canada Music Ltd. The multifunction, 5'3" grand piano, model DGH1B11, will perform compact discs with orchestra accompaniment, is MIDI compatible and will even record on a floppy diskette.

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Annual General Meeting and Awards Banquet

The Annual General Meeting and the Awards Banquet will take place on Friday, June 7, 1996, to coincide with Branch Leaders' Weekend, the Garden Party and Residence Reunion.

The Annual General Meeting will be at the McGill Faculty Club, 8:30 a.m. Special agenda items will include the appointment of new officers and amendments to the Association's by-laws. A continental breakfast will be served. The Awards Banquet will be at the St. James's Club, 6:30 p.m. Call (514) 398-5000.

EDMONTON

For art's sake: Artist Irene Klar, BSc(PT)'72 (third from left), presents a silk-screen print of her work, "Chieff," to McGill Principal Bernard Shapiro at the cocktail reception hosted by the McGill Society of Northern Alberta at the Edmonton Art Gallery, December 12. Also present were Kathleen Fisher, BCL'83, LLB'84, and branch president Jim Gendron, BSc(Agr)'74

TAIWAN

All's fair: McGill Associate Vice-Principal (Academic) Fumiko Ikawa-Smith (third from left) joined alumni at the Taiwan Educational Fair, September 29. Also on hand were Jason Pan, MSc'93, Jennifer Chang, BA'87, Angela Ni, BCom'94, and John Jeng-Yow Tsai, BCom'95

OAKVILLE

Water into wine: The McGill Society of Oakville invited alumni to tour the Vineland Estates Winery on October 28. From left: George Horhota, branch president Paul Marchand, BCom'72, Diana L. Marchand, BN'73, and Margo Horhota, BA'82

The McGill Alumni Directory

A few months ago, the Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company mailed a directory questionnaire to all McGill alumni. If you have not already done so, please return your completed questionnaire as soon as possible. In April, representatives of Harris will be telephoning alumni to verify that your information is correct.

The McGill University Alumni Directory will allow you to easily locate fellow alumni. To guarantee receiving your personal copy, remember to place your order when the Harris representative phones.

CALGARY

Well received: The McGill Society of Southern Alberta hosted a cocktail reception for Principal Bernard Shapiro (third from left) at the Westin Hotel, December 13. Joining the principal were Catherine Anne Byers, BSW'95, Patrick Jeanson, BEng'95, Simon George Akit, BEng'94, Carleton Millar, BEng'61, Sylvie Tran, BEng'95, and branch president Paul Drager, BCom'74, BCL'77, LLB'78

COMING EVENTS

- **March 6, Ottawa:** Smoke and Mirrors Night at Addington's Brew Pub and Winery. Call Timothy Denton, (613) 789-5397.
- **March 14, Toronto:** Breakfast Speaker Series at Wood Gundy, BCE Place, with R. James McCoubrey, President & CEO, Telemedia Inc. Call Howard Miller, (416) 594-8878.
- **March 18, Ottawa:** Alma Mater Fund Regional phonathon. Call Doug Durr, (613) 773-5659.
- **March 18, Ottawa:** Special viewing of Victorian books at the National Library. Call Marie Zielinska, (613) 237-4517.
- **March 23, Victoria:** Dinner at the Union Club of British Columbia, with Desmond Morton, director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada. Call Catherine Draper, (604) 382-8987.
- **March 25, Vancouver:** Alma Mater Fund regional phonathon. Call Peter McArthur, (604) 687-2242.
- **April 1, Toronto:** Career counselling: "How to Cope with Work Place Change," at the Toronto Lawn Tennis Club. Call Teresa Snelgrove, (416) 964-6461.
- **April 11, Vancouver:** Pub Night. Call Suresh Fernando, (604) 737-3509.
- **April 12, Washington, D.C.:** Reception with Principal Bernard Shapiro. Call Steve Richards, (703) 556-8765.
- **April 15 & 16, Toronto:** Alma Mater Fund regional phonathon. Call Don Hogarth, (416) 326-7713.
- **April 17, Ottawa:** Saverio's bistro buffet and a performance by a Company of Fools at the Topaz Entertainment Palace. Call Karl Mills, (613) 833-3022.
- **April 19, Chicago:** All Canadian University Dinner. Call Les Jackson, (312) 251-2239.
- **April 19, Oakville:** Second City Comedy Troop at the Oakville Centre. Limited space. Call Paul Marchand, (416) 867-6338.
- **April 21, Toronto:** An Afternoon at the Opera, with Rossini's romantic comedy *La Cenerentola*, at the O'Keefe Centre. Call Claire Hopkinson, (416) 461-8022.
- **April 26, Montreal:** Faculty Club Fundraiser Ball. Call Beverly Talent, (514) 398-4522.
- **May 6, Ottawa:** "21st Century Skills: Survive and Thrive in the Job Market of the Future." Call Andrew Lane, (613) 230-2361.
- **May 24, Toronto:** Leacock Luncheon at the King Edward Hotel, with guest speaker Bill Richardson and moderator Derek Drummond, director of McGill's School of Architecture. Call Roz Evans, (416) 504-8505, or Mary Usher-Jones, (416) 485-9421.
- **May 28, Boston:** Reception with Principal Bernard Shapiro. Call Seth Katz, (617) 864-6578.
- **June 3, Toronto:** Golf Day at Summit Golf Club in Richmond Hill. Call Michael Hobart, (416) 868-6620.
- **June 4, Ottawa:** Pub Night at the Cajun Attic. Call Timothy Denton, (613) 789-5397.
- **June 6-9, Montreal:** Alumni Branch Leaders' Weekend. All Alumni Leaders welcome to attend. Call Karen Diaz, (514) 398-3008.
- **June 6, Montreal:** Cricket match, McGill vs. Oxford-Cambridge Society of Montreal. Volunteers welcome. Call Hugh Brodie, (514) 398-7259 or (514) 747-1531.
- **June 12, Ottawa:** Annual General Meeting with guest Desmond Morton, director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada. Call Doug Durr, (613) 773-5659.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

McGill ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of the McGill Alumni Association. A continental breakfast will be served. Tickets: (514) 398-5000.

Friday, June 7, 1996 at 8:30 a.m.
The Faculty Club, McGill University, 3450 McTavish Street

The Meeting is called for the purpose of receiving reports, electing and installing officers and appointing auditors. Amendments to the Association's by-laws will also be presented.

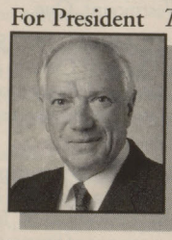
Chandra Madramootoo, BSc(Agr)'77, MSc(Agr)'81, PhD'85, Honorary Secretary

Alumni Association Nominations

For Graduate Governor on McGill's Board of Governors
Term - Five Years (commencing January 1, 1997)

James G. Wright, BA'65
Counselor, City of Westmount
Past President, McGill Alumni Association,
Member, Executive Committee, McGill Fund Council,
Chair, McGill Planned Gifts

For President *Term - Two Years*



James A. Robb, Q.C., BA'51, BCL'54
Senior Partner, Stikeman Elliott
Vice-President, McGill Alumni Association
Past Graduate Governor, McGill Board of Governors
Past Board Member, Dawson & Marianopolis Colleges

For Vice-President *Term - Two Years*

Ian Van C. McLachlin, BEng'60
Honorary Treasurer & Director, McGill Alumni Association,
Adjunct Professor, The Dobson Centre for Entreprenerial Studies, McGill University
Past Director of Investment Banking, Dominion Securities Inc.

For Honorary Secretary
Term - Two Years

Dr. Sharon Hackett, BSc(PT)'74

For Honorary Treasurer
Term - Two Years

Richard Bourne, BSc'69

For Members of the Board of Directors
Term - Two Years

Dr. Pierre Bedard, BSc'81, PhD'85
Joan Doyle, BA'43
Bram Freedman, LLB'91, BCL'91
Lynne Kassie, BA'72
Robert B. Winsor, BEng'62

Article XII of the Association's by-laws provides for nominations by the Nominating Committee to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors and the University's Board of Governors. Additional nominations for any office received by April 30, 1996, and signed by at least twenty-five members in good standing, will be placed on a ballot and a postal election will be held. If, however, the Nominating Committee's selections are acceptable to alumni, those named will take office at the Annual General Meeting.

THE '30S

Alexander Brott, LMus'32, DMus'80, founder of the McGill Chamber Orchestra, was honoured at a special concert in Montreal in March 1995, given by the orchestra to celebrate his eightieth birthday.

E. Harrison Clark, BA'34, MA'35, published *All Cloudless Glory: The Life of George Washington, Vol. I* (Regnery Publishing, Washington, D.C.). The second volume will be published this year. He lives in Springfield, Va.

B. Seymour Rabinovitch, BSc'39, PhD'42, was feted at a private viewing and reception at the Goldsmiths Hall, London, in September. He served as Patron of an exhibition of contemporary silver servers, by over 40 artist-craftspersons, which was mounted by the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths. The exhibition, which provides a bi-national comparison of design, ran from September to December 1995, and will run at the National Ornamental Metals Museum in Memphis, Tenn., from February 11 until April 20, 1996.

W. Murray Telford, BSc'39, MSc'41, PhD'49, was awarded the 1995 Grand Prix du Mérite Géoscientifique from the Association professionnelle des géologues et des géophysiciens du Québec in recognition of his contributions as a geophysicist, professor and research scientist. He lives in Montreal.

THE '40S

Kerr L. White, BA'40, MD'49, was presented the 1995 Primary Care Award for Education by the Pew Health Professionals Commission. Dr. White is credited with coining the term "primary care."

Ernest A. Kerr, MSc'41, retired (for the second time) from the position of Director of Research for Stokes Seeds in St. Catharines, Ont., in December 1994. Last spring he received the H. R. MacMillan Laureate in Agriculture award for 1989 to 1994 from the University of Guelph. He is happy to have made a significant contribution "long after" the age for compulsory retirement has passed.

Herbert H. Jasper, MD'43, DSc'71, has won the prestigious Albert Einstein World Award for Science, a prize chosen by 25 Nobel laureates to recognize scientific work that has benefited humanity. He played an important role in the development of electroencephalograms, and he founded the Centre de recherche en sciences neurologiques at the Université de Montréal in 1965. He is married to Mary Lou Jasper of the McGill Registrar's Office.

Herbert H. Jasper

M. J. Gerald Fitzpatrick, BSc'44, past president of the McGill Graduates' Society and founder of Fitzpatrick Construction Canada Ltd., received a special award from the Association de la construction du Québec in 1995 for his contribution to the construction sector in the Montreal region.

H. Peter Oberlander, BArch'45, has been awarded the International Urban Affairs Award for 1995-96 by Lambda Alpha International. He is the first Canadian to receive this award.

Harvey Barkun, BSc'48, was awarded special recognition by the Association of American Medical Colleges for "contributions to medical education and the medical academic community" in October 1995, and was appointed as an Officer of the Order of Canada in December 1995. He lives in Rockcliffe, Ont.

Eva (Dubska) Kushner, BA'48, MA'50, PhD'56, after completing seven years as President of Victoria University and one year as Director of the Centre for Comparative Literature at the University of Toronto, has returned to teaching and research in Toronto, and chairs the Freedom of Scholarship and Research Committee of the Royal Society of Canada.

William Tetley, BA'48, McGill Professor of Law, received the Order of Canada in November.

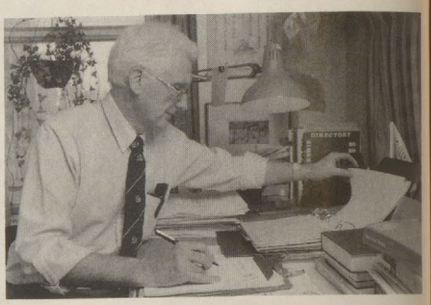
THE '50S

Judy Mappin, BSc'50, received the Quebec Literary Association's first Community Award in November, to honour outstanding involvement in and contributions to Quebec's English language literary life. She is the owner of Double Hook Book Shop in Westmount, Que.

Ronald Melzack, BSc'50, MSc'51, PhD'54, was made an Officer of the Order of Canada in November. A McGill Professor of Psychology, his Pain Questionnaire is in world-wide use as a measuring tool in pain research.

Irwin Guttman, BSc'51, is the 1995 recipient of the Statistical Society of Canada's Gold Medal. He has recently left the University of Toronto after 21 years in the Department of Statistics, and is currently Professor and Chairman of the Department of Statistics of the University at Buffalo of the State University of New York system.

Morris Schnitzer, BSc(Agr)'51, MSc'52, PhD'55, of Ottawa, has been awarded the prestigious Wolf Prize in Agriculture for lifetime achievement in arts and sciences. The prize, worth U.S.$100,000, will be presented by the President of Israel in the Israeli Knesset on March 24, 1996. He has had a productive career with Agriculture Canada and recently was the first Canadian to receive a lifetime achievement award from the American Soil Science Society.



Dr. Charles R. Scriver

Charles R. Scriver, BA'51, MD'55, of the Department of Pediatrics at McGill, was honoured with the Prix Wilder-Penfield in biomedical research, one of the nine prestigious Prix du Québec awards conferred in December. Dr. Scriver has made significant contributions in the area of human genetics, and he is credited with the addition of vitamin D to milk to combat rickets.

Robert S. Gordon, BA'52, owns the Autograph Gallery in Ottawa, a store specializing in autographs of politicians, celebrities and several McGill personalities.

Carrol A. Laurin, MD'52, retired McGill Professor of Medicine, received the Order of Canada in November.

Donald Baxter, MSc'53, McGill Emeritus Professor of Medicine, received the Order of Canada in November.

Douglas Dykeman, MD'53, retired after 40 years of practice as a family physician in Richmond, Que.

Norman S. Endler, BSc'53, MSc'54, was awarded a Distinguished Research Professorship by York University, presented at the November 10 convocation, which he addressed. Professor Endler is a charter member of York University, having joined the faculty in 1960.

Carl Goersky, BSc'53, MD'55, PhD'65, was made an Officer of the Order of Canada in November. The Montreal scientist has pioneered research into membrane transport, examining how materials move from the blood to tissues and back.

Sheila Kussner, BA'53, LLD'90, was made an Officer of the Order of Canada in November. She is the founder of Hope and Cope, a Montreal cancer support program, and was involved in setting up the Oncology Department at McGill.

Alistair McKinnon, BD'53, has been appointed Knight of the Order of Dannebrog by Her Majesty the Queen of Denmark, in recognition of his contribution to the study and understanding of Kierkegaard. Professor McKinnon spent his entire professional career as a member of McGill's Department of Philosophy, and was Chair from 1975-82. He was named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 1980 and Professor Emeritus upon his retirement in 1990.

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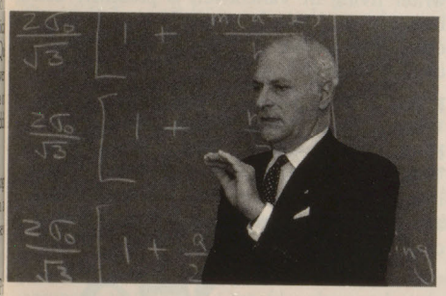
Harry Rosen, DDS'53, received the Academy of Operative Dentistry's Award of Excellence in February. He is the first Canadian recipient of the award, given annually to recognize outstanding contribution in dental education and practice. Dr. Rosen, who lives and practises in Montreal, also received a Fellowship to l'Académie Dentaire du Québec in 1995.

Carlos Stienne, BSc'53, is a writer living in Buenos Aires. He has published two books: *Una chica de la constanera* and *Pasto Miel*, both by Ediciones Planalto. Recent essays include "Quebec Belongs to Latin America" and "Manicouagan Blues," a short novel about a Hydro Quebec project.

John J. Jonas, BEng'54, Professor and Co-Director, MMPC Mining and Metallurgical Engineering at McGill, was accorded the Prix Marie-Victorin, one of nine distinguished Prix du Québec awards conferred in December. Professor Jonas was honoured for his work in the field of physical and mechanical metallurgy. He has taught at McGill since 1960.



John J. Jonas

Jeannie (Toscano) Bartha, BA'56, is on sabbatical in Budapest, Hungary, from the Department of Hispanic Studies at York University.

Marilyn Dworkin Blumer, BA'56, received the Montreal Federation CJA's Distinguished Leadership Award, recognizing long-term commitment and outstanding leadership in the volunteer community service field, in 1995. She is Vice-President of the Federation.

Beverlee Freedman Ashmele, BA'56, received the 1995 Federation CJA's newly inaugurated Award for Professional Excellence, recognizing exemplary performance in community service in Montreal. She is the Assistant Campaign Director and Director of the Women's Campaign at Combined Jewish Appeal, the Montreal Jewish Community's central fundraising organization.

Robert E. Flynn, BEng'57, Chairman and Consultant for the Nutrasweet Company in Chicago, has been apppointed Director of the Board of the Stanley Technology Group.

John D. Hsu, BSc'57, MD'61, was named as the Wu Jieh Yee Visiting Professor in the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Faculty of Medicine, beginning April 1996.

Douglas Kinsella, MD'57, was awarded the Order of Canada in May 1995 for his contributions to medical bioethics education and research. He is currently Professor and Director at the Office of Medical Bioethics in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Calgary.

Walter J. Hendelman, BSc'58, MD'62, published the *Students' Atlas of Neuroanatamy* (W.B. Saunders, 1994). He is Full Professor in the Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology at the University of Ottawa.

John Brierley, BCL'59, Professor in the McGill Faculty of Law, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada. He was a Visiting Professor at Université de Paris II early in 1996.

THE '60S

Peter McKinney, MD'60, of Chicago, Ill., gave three instructional courses at the 64th Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons in October in Montreal. He was also a Guest Examiner for the American Board of Plastic Surgery at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare, Chicago, in November.

Peter Bartha, BA'61, has been appointed Dean of the International Management Center in Budapest, Hungary, the oldest western-style graduate business school in the former communist bloc. It has students from 11 countries in Central and Eastern Europe and its local faculty is supplemented by visiting professors from the United States, Canada and Western Europe.

Toby Gilsig, BEng'61, is co-winner of the 1995 Manning Award of Distinction, in recognition of his work in enhancing operational control of large electrical power, water, mail and other distribution systems.

Rochelle (Mirsky) Cohen, MSW'62, DipSW'76, now retired, was the first social work consultant in Health and Welfare Canada's medical services to Inuit and Indian patients.

Thomas R. Csorba, MSc'62, PhD'66, Director of Clinical Biochemistry at the Calgary General Hospital, has been appointed to the medical staff of Foothills Medical Centre, the main teaching hospital of the University of Calgary. He will be a consultant in Medical Biochemistry, with emphasis on resident teaching, focussing on test utilization.

Norman Kadanoff, BEng(Civ)'62, was named an Associate of Saia, Deslauriers and Associates Inc., a Montreal-area consulting engineering firm that specializes in structures and foundations.

Carol Moscovitch Zenel, BA'62, is a Professor of art history at the State University of New York at Buffalo. Her book, Van Gogh's Progress: Utopia and Modernity in Late 19th Century Art, will be published by University of California Press in 1996. She is currently writing a book on modern Jewish history and visual culture.

Dinny Butlin-Nimmo, BSc(HEc)'63, retired in June from her position as Family Studies Department Head at North Park Secondary School in Brampton, Ont., after 19 years. She and her husband, Neil, sold their house in Thornhill and moved to their cottage in Muskoka, Ont.

Ralph Steinman, BSc'63, Professor and Immunologist, was appointed as the Henry G. Kunkel Professor at Rockefeller University, New York, in 1995.

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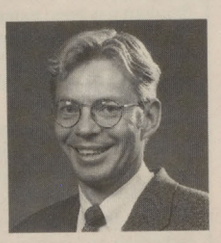
Kenneth Kivenko, BEng'64, DipMgmt'94, has been appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of NBS Technologies Ltd. in Toronto.

David Mayerovitch, BA'64, has written the updated lyrics for the 1995 Stratford Festival production of Gilbert & Sullivan's The Gondoliers. He is a playwright, television writer and consultant on corporate communications and on film and television projects. He also leads workshop courses at the University of Toronto on story development and screenwriting.

M. Ian Bowmer, BSc'65, MD'69, is the new Dean of Medicine at Memorial University of Newfoundland. After completing his residency in internal medicine and infectious diseases at the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal, he joined Memorial in 1975 as an Assistant Professor of Medicine. In 1979 he became Associate Professor, and in 1986 Professor and Chair of the discipline of Medicine.



M. Ian Bowmer

Chris Bryant, BA'65, is Executive Director of the Community Economic Development of the Nova Scotia Economic Renewal Agency in Halifax.

Stephen Corber, BSc'65, MD'69, is the Director, Division of Disease Prevention and Control, at the Pan American Health Organization in McLean, Va.

Paul S. Echenberg, BSc'65, is a Senior Adviser to Benvest Capital Inc., a publicly traded merchant bank, in Montreal. He is on the Board of Directors of several Canadian and American companies and specializes in providing operating and strategic advice.

S. David Fitzgerald, DipAgr'65, manages a family farm in Paris Station, N.Y., with his wife, Carol, and son, Jay. They received a Dairy of Distinction award by the Cornell Cooperative Extension and the New York State Agriculture markets. They are part of the Dairylee Milk Cooperative, awarded a gold certificate for quality milk in 1995.

Brian Marshall, BEng'65, is the Vice Chairman of Midland Walwyn Capital Inc., Canada's largest independent investment firm, in Toronto.

Manon Vennat, BCL'65, was made an Officer of the Order of Canada in November. She is a Governor of the Montreal Stock Exchange, Chair of the McCord Museum of Canadian History, and a Board Member for the National Ballet of Canada.

Vaïra Vikis-Freibergs, PhD'65, longtime Professor of Psycholinguistics at the Université de Montréal, received the Royal Society of Canada's Pierre Chauveau medal in Ottawa in November. The award recognizes her contribution to humanities other than Canadian literature and history. She is known for her works on metaphor and poetic images. She is the author of *Chansons du Soleil Lettones* (1988), *Sur la Montagne d'Ambre* (1989) and *Linguistics and Poetics of Latvian Folk Songs* (1989).

Kenneth Ian Gordon, MBA'66, retired from Digital Equipment in the U.S. and moved to Vancouver Island. He and his wife Lynn now favour an aerie overlooking the Straits of Georgia. From there, when not just gazing at the view, he consults, writes software and articles, and telecommutes over the Internet.

Margaret Hooton, MSc(N)'66, was named a Grande Infirmière by the Ordre des infirmières et infirmiers du Québec. She is also the first recipient of the Distinguished Nursing Teaching Award from McGill's School of Nursing, and she is Associate Director of Professional Practice, a liaison between McGill and nursing management at the university hospitals for McGill.

Margaret Hooton

Gerald Rudick, DDS'66, of Montreal, became an Associate Fellow of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry. To qualify as one of the leading experts in implant dentistry, he completed more than 300 hours of post-doctoral instruction, presented cases for review by an expert panel, and passed a series of oral and written examinations.

John K. Carrington, MEng'68, is Chief Operating Officer of Barrick Gold Corp. in Toronto, the world's largest gold producer outside of South Africa. He is also an avid historian, collects toy soldiers and dictionaries, and is a part-time lay preacher at his Anglican Church.

Allan J. Fox, BSc'68, MD'70, was awarded the degree of Fellow of the American College of Radiology (FACR) in September 1995. A Professor of Radiology and Clinical Neurological Sciences at the University of Western Ontario, he has been the Director of Neuroradiology at the University Hospital in London since 1981. He is also the Chair of the Specialty Committee for Neuroradiology, Royal College of Physicians/Surgeons of Canada.

David Arditi, BCom'69, was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Peerless Carpet Corporation, Canada's largest manufacturer of tufted broadloom carpet, in Montreal.

Richard Bourne, BSc'69, placed first among all Sun Life representatives in Canada, earning the title "Senior Vice-President Macaulay Club." He lives in Beaconsfield, Que.

Marilyn Harriett Kalman, BA'69, an artist/writer living in Vancouver, is presently doing large pen and ink drawings. Her work was recently displayed at an exhibition entitled *A Jewish Beaux Arts* in Vancouver.

Blair G. Richardson, BA'69, was appointed Vice-President, Business Development, for the Home Care Program of Metropolitan Toronto. This non-profit corporation is funded by the Ministry of Health, and provides home health care and home support services to an active caseload of 19,000 persons.

THE '70s

Linda P. Mason, BEd(PE)'70, MEd'79, is a Guidance Counsellor / Chartered Psychologist in Calgary. She has been awarded the 1995 Murray Jampolsky Memorial Award in recognition of "Outstanding Counselling Practice." This provincial award is presented annually by the Guidance Council of the Alberta Teacher's Association.

Karen Messing, MSc'70, PhD'75, contributed to *Invisible: Issues in Women's Occupational Health / La santé des travailleuses* (Gynergy Books, 1995), the first book to examine the issues women face every day in relation to health and safety at work. She is one of the foremost authorities in the field and is Director of CINIBOISE.

Ian M. Solloway, BA'70, BCL'73, has been reappointed by the Quebec Minister of Education to the Appeal Commission on the Language of Instruction in Quebec under Bill 101. He is a lawyer specializing in family law in Montreal and is a Fellow of the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.

Marvin Steinberg, BSc'70, DDS'72, was awarded a Fellowship in the American College of Dentists in October 1995. He is also a Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada and a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics. He lives in Cote St. Luc, Que.

Jean-Louis Hamel, B.C.L.1971, occupe le poste d'administrateur chez Colliers Macaulay Nicolls Inc., société de services immobiliers qui a son

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siège à Montréal. Il compte 20 ans d'expérience dans le domaine de la consultation et de la gestion immobilières. Il est actuellement vice-président du Conseil de Colliers Pierremont Inc.

Debbie (Rosner) Robins, MSW'71, is Senior Services Program Manager for the North Broward Hospital District in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Louise Abbott, BA'72, a writer/photographer/filmmaker, recently completed a short documentary film for the National Film Board of Canada entitled *The Pinnacle and The Poet*. She has also completed work for a TV documentary, *Le Filet Vide (The Empty Net)*, to be broadcast on Radio-Québec in 1996.

Herb H. Borsuk, DDS'72, received the 1995 W.W. Wood Award for excellence in teaching in the McGill Faculty of Dentistry. He is an Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Endodontics at McGill, and maintains a private practice in Montreal. He is married to **Eileen Borsuk,** BPT'72, BSc(PT)'86.

David J. Luty, BA'73, is president of his own company in Miami, Fla. His daughter, Karina, is in her first year at McGill.

Larry J. Behar, BA'74, is a U.S. immigration attorney in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and has published *How to Immigrate to the U.S.A.* in three languages. He is married to **Claire Joy Fleisher,** BEd'83, BSW'86, who is completing her master's in social work at Barry University in Miami. They recently celebrated their first anniversary.

J. Leslie Grant, BA'74, runs a canine services company in Oshawa, Ont. She also is a breeder of champion-quality Labrador Retrievers.

Michael Lozeau, BCom'74, has been appointed Senior Practice Director of Oracle Services at Oracle Corporation Canada Inc. in Mississauga, Ont.

Laura Cullen, BSc(FSc)'75, MBA'78, joined Langara College in Port Coquitlam, B.C., in August 1995 as a full-time instructor in the Food Science & Nutrition Management program. She is also a sessional lecturer at the University of British Columbia School of Family and Nutritional Sciences.

Rita Le de Santis, BSc'76, BCL'80, was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Business Development Bank of Canada, an organization that promotes the development of small and medium-sized businesses, in Montreal.

Wanda Kaluzny, BMus'76, MA'85, is conducting the Montreal Chamber Orchestra, the organization she founded 21 years ago.

Carmela Manganiello, BA'76, lives in Brampton, Ont., with her two children, Isabel and William, and is completing her MA in Translation at York University.

James Gerard (Gerry) Paquin, BEng(Met)'76, is currently working for Ontario Hydro in Cernavoda, Romania, commissioning nuclear reactors. His wife, Jeanne, and four daughters will join him in the spring of 1996.

Suzanne Végiard, BA'76, is running Samski, a Montreal-based company that promotes hiking and skiing packages in Maine and New Hampshire.

Muhammad Yunus, MA'76, received an honorary doctorate from the University of Toronto in November. The founder of Gremeen Bank, based in Dhaka, Bangladesh, he is a world leader in the concept of micro-lending, loaning small sums of money to poor people. The bank now serves more than two million borrowers in Bangladesh, with a repayment rate of 97 percent.

Zena C. Biocca, BSc(PT)'77, is Director of Clinical Practice Standards at NovaCare Inc., a national company in North Carolina of 7,000 physiotherapists, occupational therapists and speech pathologists.

Marla Charon, BSc(OT)'77, was promoted to the position of Chief Occupational Therapist at the Southern Idaho-based company M. Michener & Associates Inc. She now lives in Twin Falls, Idaho.

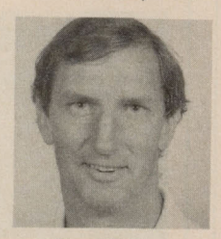
Myra Davies, LLB'77, BCL'78, works out of Berlin with the German avant-garde rock group Gudrun Gut. Their most recent CD, *Miasma*, "industrial electro-pop packed with weird and wicked wit," was released in Europe last year and is available in Canada through Festival Distribution in Vancouver.

Mark S. Gans, BSc'77, MD'81, has been appointed Director for the Residency Program for the Department of Ophthalmology at the Montreal General Hospital.

Zainool R. Kassam-Hann, BA'77, MA'85, PhD'95, was appointed Assistant Professor of Religious Studies at Pomona College in Claremont, Calif.

Patty Keith, BMus'77, LMus'77, is a Head Nurse, Labour/Delivery, living in North Vancouver. She is a member of Pandora's Vox, a women's performance vocal ensemble who have just released their first CD, *In Treble*.

Gary Kirchner, BSc'77, MA'87, won the 1995 Gino Fracas Trophy, awarded annually to the CIAU volunteer assistant coach of the year in university football. After a five-year playing career with the Redmen, he's been an assistant coach with the team for 15 years. He is a physics teacher at Centennial College in Montreal.



Gary Kirchner

Katrin Nakashima, BSc'77, BCL'81, LLB'81, is Corporate Secretary and Senior Counsel for Imasco Limited in Toronto.

Marcel Roy, B.Com.'77, Dip.Mgmt.'79, est à la tête du service de redressement et insolvabilité chez Arthur Andersen Inc., à Montréal, et il est responsable de l'harmonisation entre son service et celui du Groupe Mallette Maheu. Il fait office de conseiller auprès des banques et autres institutions financières.

Gabrielle Bauer, BSc'78, BMus'83, is a full-time self-employed writer and editor. Her book, *Tokyo, My Everest* (Hounslow Press, 1995), was the "Editor's Choice" in the September 30 *Toronto Star*.

Frank A. Biocca, BA'78, is a Professor in the School of Mass Communication and Journalism at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is also the Director of the Center for Research in Mass Communication and specializes in new communication technologies.

Karen Blair Horn, BA'78, is Director, Legislative Services, for the Vermont League of Cities and Towns in Montpelier. She resides on the side of a mountain with her husband, Tom Horn, Vice-President of the Quebec-Labrador Foundation, and their sons, Benjamin and Amos.

Gary Kiger, MA'78, Professor of Sociology, was appointed Chair of the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology at Utah State University in Logan.

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Miriam Lang, BSW'78, MSW'80, was elected Vice-President of the Canadian Magen David Adom for Israel. She lives in Montreal.

Joy McKie, BA'78, earned an industrial relations degree from University of Toronto, and a law degree from York University in 1989, the same year she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. She is married with two children and lives in the Runnymede Chronic Care Hospital.

Carole (Lulham) Weaver, BSc(Agr)'78, received her Master of Environmental Design (Environmental Sciences) degree from the University of Calgary. She is currently Marketing Manager, Crop Supplies, at United Farmers of Alberta in Calgary, and is a Director of the Crop Protection Institute of Canada. She has two children, Alexandra and Adam.

Jean-Pierre Couture, BMus'79, was ordained a Deacon for the Roman Catholic diocese of Montreal on November 29, 1995.

Dale Gantous, BSc'79, is President of InGenius Engineering, a thriving software engineering and consulting firm serving the Canadian telecommunications industry. She says, "Dale, Ed, and the cats are all fine and living in Ottawa."

Ausilio (Silvio) Gasbarrino, BSc'79, completed a three-year assignment as a Marketing Director for Searle in Milan, Italy. He now is Director, Misoprostal Products, for Searle's Global Arthritis Franchise. He lives in Chicago, Ill., with his family.

Louise Greenberg, BSc(Agr)'79, MSc(Agr)'81, received her PhD from the University of Saskatchewan. For the past five years she has worked for the Saskatchewan government's Department of Executive Council, and she is now Manager of Operations, Extension Service, Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food.

Joseph C. Michelotti, BA'79, is a lawyer in suburban Chicago.

Bradley L. White, BSc'79, MSc'81, MD'82, is an orthopedic surgeon with Nassau County Orthopedics in Long Island, N.Y.

THE '80S

Fadhel Al-Arrayed, BSc'80, is Assistant Professor of Biology at the University of Bahrain, where he developed and helped establish both Modern Arrayed Stores and Nasse Pharmacies. He received his PhD in Physiology from Louisiana State University in 1989.

Léo-Paul Dana, BA'80, MBA'83, is a McGill Professor in the faculties of Management and Continuing Education and lives in Williamstown, Ont. He received his PhD from École des Hautes Études Commerciales of the Université de Montréal and serves a a Senior Adviser to the World Association of Small and Medium Enterprises. His book, entitled *Enterprising in the Global Environment*, will soon appear in its third edition.

Sandon Schwartzben, BSW'80, MSW'81, has been appointed Vice-President and Associate Broker at Harvey Kalles Real Estate in Toronto.

Majid Shahidi, MBA'80, was appointed Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Canadian Business Telecommunications Alliance.

Charles Vincent, MSc'80, PhD'83, works at the Centre de recherche et de développement en horticulture and Agriculture and Agrifood Canada. He was at the INRA Research Station in Antibes, France, from January to March 1996, to work on the "effects of sub-lethal doses of insecticides on the behaviour predatory coccinollide," from a fellowship given by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris.

David Winch, BA'80, is an Editor at the United Nations in New York and is editing the official records of the Security Council and General Assembly. He is completing his second year of intensive Russian in preparation for a transfer to the United Nations in Geneva. He is active with the McGill Society of New York.

Shah Ahmad, MBA'81, and **Janice Giassa,** BSc'79, MBA'81, are living near Charleston, S.C., where Shah is Vice-President (Finance) of Linq Industrial Fabrics, working much of the time in Mexico City and on Charleston's golf courses.

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D. Bruce Garrow, LLM'81, recently joined the Toronto-based law firm of Borden & Elliot as Partner. He specializes in aviation law.

Julia Borossa, BA'82, MA'89, completed her PhD in history and the philosophy of science at Cambridge University, England, in 1995. While completing her degree, she taught at Kent University in Canterbury.

Claire A.C. Brockman, BA'82, DipEd'83, is self employed and lives in Newnan, Ga.

Stefano Cavaglia, BCom'82, has moved from London, England, to Boston, Mass., where he is a Portfolio Manager for Panagora Asset Management, an asset management company owned by Nippon Life and Lehman Brothers.

Mona Nemer, PhD'82, received the 1995 Young Researcher Prize from the Club de recherches cliniques du Québec. She is the Director of the Cardiac Growth and Differentiation Laboratory at the Institut de recherches cliniques de Montréal, a Professor of research in the Pharmacology Department of the Université de Montréal and is a Medical Research Council of Canada Scientist.

Mona Nemer

Thomas H. Sauder, BEng(Chem)'82, was appointed to the position of Packaging Manager at Andrés Wines Ltd. in Hamilton, Ont., the leading producer of VQA wines in Canada.

Robert J. Sharkey, PhD'82, was appointed Vice-President and Actuary at Sun Life Assurance Company in Toronto.

Steven A. Stinson, LLM'82, has been admitted to the Tennessee Bar and has relocated his law practice from West Palm Beach, Fla., to Murfreesboro, Tenn., where he will concentrate on civil litigation.

David Aronoff, BCom'83, is Director of Finance with the Ontario Ministry of Transportation. He earned a Master of Economics degree fromYork University and is currently a sessional lecturer in public finance at Ryerson Polytechnical University in Toronto.

Patrick Baillie, BSc'83, completed a PhD in Counselling Psychology at Virginia Commonwealth University, and, since 1991, has worked at Calgary General Hospital as a forensic psychologist. In addition to having been the sport psychology consultant with two professional teams, he is the host of "The Psychology Profile," a bi-weekly feature on QR77 radio that discusses a range of mental health topics.

David T. Hsieh, BA'83, completed his master's in political science at York University in 1984, then went on to the University of Chicago to work on his PhD thesis. He continued his studies and research in Japan, then became a visiting exchange scholar at Beijing University. He is currently the Beijing correspondent for *Asiaweek* magazine.

Laura Mitchell, BA'83, has been promoted to Project Manager with Save the Children Fund (U.K.), managing a household-based economy project involving 2,000 female heads of households in Tajikistan.

Walter. T. Posiewko, BA'83, recently joined Royal Bank Investment Management in Toronto, where he is responsible for money market mutual fund assets.

Michele Rigby, BSW'83, is a Social Worker at Colchester Regional Hospital in Truro, N.S., with primary responsibility involving the Palliative Care team and Geriatric Restoration unit. She is implementing a universal screening tool of all women patients to determine if they are victims of abuse. She is married to **A. Bruce Gray,** MSc'80, PhD'86, a professor of Biology at the Nova Scotia Agricultural College in Truro. They live in rural Nova Scotia and have four children: Isaac, Hannah, Samuel and Joel.

Susan Ross, BSW'83, is Executive Director of Big Sisters of Peel Region, and is a volunteer with the United Way as a trainer/consultant for non-profit organizations. She is married with two children and lives in Mississauga, Ont.

Eva Tootleman Goldberg, BSc'83, MBA'89, is a senior technical representative for Bio-Rad Laboratories, selling research products for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Laboratories. She resides in Princeton Junction, N.J., with her husband, Howard, and two children, Aaron and Rebecca.

Bill Banks, MBA'84, and **Allison Harris,** MBA'84, announce with pride the birth of their third son, Jonathan Eric. Their other future McGill grads are Justin and Shaun. Allison and Bill live in Dollard des Ormeaux, Que., and are entrepreneurs in transportation and distribution.

Alan J. Barcomb, BSc'84, is getting out of the U.S. Navy after seven years of service as a physician. He received a medical degree in Family Practice from Albany Medical College in 1988. He and his wife, **Cathy Laird,** BA'84, and their two children moved to Batavia, N.Y., in August. He joined a Family Practice in Le Roy, N.Y., in October.

Debra Goldstein, BSc'84, MD'88, completed a one-year fellowship in uveitis and external disease in the Department of Ophthalmology at McGill. She subsequently completed another year of fellowship in uveitis with Dr. Howard Tessler at the University of Illinois at Chicago Eye and Ear Infirmary. She is now on staff there as Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology, Director of the Ocular AIDS Service, and Associate Director of the Uveitis Service.

Ron Kolanitch, BSc'84, MBA'86, was appointed Marketing Director of Behring Diagnostics (Canada) Inc., a newly formed company resulting from the acquisition of Syva Company's international business by Behringwerke AG. He lives in Montreal with his wife, **Helen Kolanitch,** BA'84, and they are enjoying their daughter, Alexandra.

Mark A. Benson, PhD'85, taught at St. Francis Xavier University for eight years and is now As-

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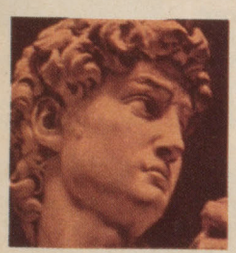

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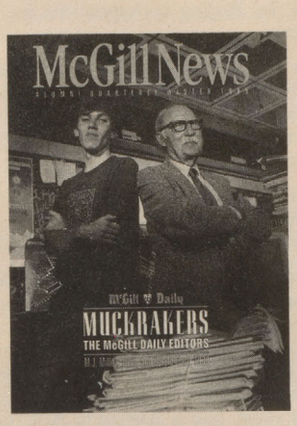

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sociate Professor of French-Canadian Literature at the Royal Military College of Canada in Kingston, Ont. He has a son, Adrien.

Scott R. Chappelka, BA'85, was promoted to Assistant Vice-President, Commercial Banking, Crédit Lyonnais in New York City, marketing the Eastern Pennsylvania to Washington, D.C., region. He was also appointed instructor for the basic reserve intelligence training program and awarded sailor of the quarter. He would like to hear from Karol, June, Jennifer and Patrick.

Randy Fisher, BA'85, heads Randy Fisher Communications, a communications, marketing and strategic planning consulting firm based in Ottawa, serving the information technology industry. A former journalist, he is pursuing accreditation as a Certified Advanced Technology Manager. He can be reached at: rfisher@fox.nstn.ca.

Margaret Kaburis Campbell, BEd'85, is a teacher who recently relocated to Ajax, Ont., leaving behind five rewarding years of teaching prekindergarten at Pierre de Coubertin Elementary School in St. Leonard, Que. She gave birth to a son, Steven Alexander, on November 10, 1995.

Lynda Kostovchik-Quirino, BA'85, announces the birth of her first child, Elyse Christine, on May 22, 1995, at York County Hospital in Newmarket, Ont. Proud father is **Ralph Quirino,** BA'84, whom Lynda met at McGill in 1984 in a Romantic Literature class.

Hon-Ying Wong, MBA'85, is moving to a new home in Hong Kong, in addition to taking a part-time teaching post. Her daughter recently began her first year of high school.

Yin Mei Aw Yong, BA'85, BA'88, worked as a bilingual secretary (French-English) in the Accounting Section of the Embassy of Morocco in Washington, D.C., until June of 1995. She and husband Jacob Hueskes are expecting their first child in December.

Marina Boulos, BA'86, married **Grant Winton,** BA'86, BCL'89, LLB'89, on October 21, 1995. She is Executive Director of Le Bon Dieu Dans La Rue homeless shelter in Montreal, while Grant is an investment banker with Banque Paribas in New York City.

John Hoeve, MSc'86, is a Fisheries Inspector with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. He lives in Mississauga, Ont.

Dominic Lopes, BA'86, is Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Indiana University, Kolcomo. He won an NEH grant in 1995 to research tactile drawing by the blind. His book, *Understanding Pictures*, will be published by Oxford University Press in February 1996.

James Scott O'Brien, BEng(Mech)'86, received a master's in Architecture from Georgia Tech in Atlanta in 1992, and is an Architect for Lord, Aeck & Sargent, Inc., a large architecture firm in Atlanta.

J. Bruce Robertson, LLB'86, was an Associate with Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt and then practiced civil litigation with the entertainment firm of Mitchell, Silberberg & Knupp in Los Angeles, Calif. He is now Senior Litigation Partner at the Los Angeles law firm of Duran, Loquvam & Robertson and also serves as a Judge pro tem of the Los Angeles Municipal Court.

Linda Rychel, BA'86, LLB'89, accepted a promotion to Head, Land Research and Title Clarification, with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. Her husband Mark, "a great guy even though he is a Concordia graduate," and their dogs, Belle and Watson, seem pleased.

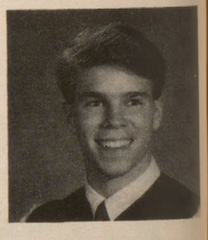
Kathryn A. Aleong, MSc'87, has been cross-posted from the Canadian Embassy in Mexico City and is First Secretary (Commercial) working in the Trade and Investment Development section of the Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C.

Karen Anne Bleakley, BA'87, MLIS'89, is an Information Specialist in the Business Information Centre of Price Waterhouse, Montreal. In May 1995 she married **Jean Daigle,** BEng'87, a software designer for ATS Aerospace in St. Bruno, Que.

Alice Cassidy, MSc'87, completed a PhD in Zoology from the University of British Columbia, and she now works at UBC as a consultant in the areas of ornithology, education and faculty development.

Basil Cavis, BCom'87, DipPubAcct'88, has been appointed Vice President, Finance, of Place Bonaventure Inc. in Montreal, after eight years of public accounting experience in Canada and the United States.

Bruce Lindsay, BCom'87, has received the Canadian Institute Medal of Achievement, presented annually to the graduate with the highest mark in Canada in the Chartered Financial Consultant program. He has been an Insurance and Financial Planning Consultant with the Georgia Group in Vancouver since 1991. He works with his wife, **Christine Olejnik-Lindsay,** BCom'88.



Bruce Lindsay

Stuart Naveran, BA'87, a systems engineer, married Susan Biegelman of Monsey, N.Y., on November 13, 1993.

Drew Young, BA'87, has returned to Montreal after six and a half years in Toronto, to accept a promotion to Associate Product Manager at Bristol-Myers Squibb Pharmaceutical Group.

Antonia Klitorinos, BSc'88, MSc'91, has been a Research Assistant for Dr. E.C.S. Chan at McGill for the past six years. She gave birth to a boy, George-Antonis, on July 20, 1995.

Linda Rodeck, BA'88, was appointed Vice-President of Joyner Fine Art Inc, Canada's leading auction firm specializing in sales of Canadian art, in Toronto. She had just returned from a year abroad working for one of England's largest regional auction houses.

Carol Sharpe, BA'88, is a consultant in communications strategies to organizations wishing to position themselves *vis-à-vis* targeted audiences.

Mike Crawley, BSc'89, has written a book, *Schoolyard Bullies: Messing with British Columbia's Education System*, published by Orca Book Publishers in October 1995. He lives in Vancouver.

Jean-Marc Jolicoeur, MSW'89, is in private social work practice and is the proprietor of a flower shop in Cote St. Luc, Que.

Denis Maschino, PhD'89, a Senior Economist, joined the first team of the Secretariat of the Commission for Labor Cooperation in Dallas, Tex., in October 1995. This institution is responsible for the implementation of the NAFTA labour side agreement.

Nancy F. Vineberg, BA'89, is the Executive Director of the American Jewish Committee (Pacific Northwest Division), a human relations organization in Seattle, Wash. She received her MA from the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Pennsylvania in 1992. She invites McGill alumni "to join me for a latté in the shadow of Mt. Rainier!"

Paul A. White, BSc'89, completed his PhD in biology at McGill and received the Fondation canadienne d'aide à la recherche (gouvernement du Québec) post-doctoral fellowship. He will be conducting the fellowship at the Atlantic Ecology Laboratory of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Narragansett, R.I.

THE '90S

Anthony Berman, BA'90, is a teacher and writer in Montreal. He has completed his MA in English Literature from the Université de Montréal, and is writing his third book of poetry for publication. He is also a member of the League of Canadian Poets and F.E.W.Q.

L. Donelle "Egg" Gladwin, BA'90, is the Director of Constituent Services for U. S. Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney (D-N.Y.). She works in the District office in New York City.

Nathalie Hade, BSc'90, received her MBA in 1994 and is now a Clinical Research Associate for Hoechst-Marion-Roussel Canada in Montreal. She lives in Laval, Que., and is looking forward to a career in management in biotechnology or pharmaceutical.

Sean Hutchinson, BA'90, BA'94, spent 1995 working as an organizer for the New Democratic Party, and managed a federal election campaign in Quebec, worked in the Ontario and New Brunswick provincial elections, and was a member of the Svend Robinson campaign team in his bid for the leadership of the party.

Anders Lafon, BSc(Agr)'90, is National Sales Manager for a small pharmaceutical company in Montreal.

Jacques Lilli, MA'90, graduated from INSEAD at Fontainebleau, France, and now works in mergers and acquisitions at Lazard Frères in Paris.

Kathleen Provost, BA'90, was married to Richard Burelle on August 13, 1994. They are now the proud parents of Louis Alexander Burelle, born August 28, 1995.

Erika L. Seid, BA'90, is pursuing a master's degree in International and Intercultural Management at the School for International Training in Brattleboro, Vt. She can be contacted via e-mail at seid@kzsu.stanford.edu.

Peter V. Urbanc, BCom'90, received a Master of Management degree, with distinction, *Beta Gamma Sigma*, from Northwestern University in Chicago, Ill., in August. He previously was an Analyst in Mergers and Acquisitions at Merrill Lynch in New York. He is currently an Associate in Corporate Finance for Lehman Brothers International in London, England.

Mike P. Ciricillo, BEng'91, has left Inco Ltd., the world's second largest nickel producer, to work as a Relief General Supervisor for Phelps Dodge Ltd., the world's second largest copper producer, in Silver City, N.M.

Aminah Fayek-O'Dea, BEng'91, completed a master's degree in Construction Management and Engineering at the University of British Columbia in 1992. She then moved to Australia, travelled, married, and is now pursuing her PhD at the University of Melbourne.

Angela M. Jones, DipEd'91, for the past four years has been with the Elgin County Roman Catholic Separate School Board in St. Thomas, Ont., as an elementary vocal and instrumental music teacher. In addition, she teaches private piano, flute and theory lessons at the St. Thomas Academy of Music and is a member of the London Fanshawe Symphonic Chorus.

Jacey Kaps, BA'91, an attorney, received his Juris Doctor from Nova Southwestern Shepard Broad Law Center in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and was named to the Order of Barristers National Award for excellence in trial advocacy. He passed both the Florida and federal Bar and is now working for a civil litigation firm in Fort Lauderdale.

Parag P. Patel, BCom'91, has joined the New York-based law firm Flaster Greenberg Wallenstein Roderick Spirgel Zuckerman Skinner & Kirchner. He is a graduate of Georgetown Law School and is a New York University LLM (Tax) candidate. He is also a recipient of the Shell Corporation Award for excellence in Tax Law.

Stan Blade, PhD'92, has completed a three-year project with the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture, based in Kano, Nigeria. He returned to Edmonton and is a plant breeder/agronomist with Alberta Agriculture, developing innovative alternative crops. He lives with his wife, Linda.

Chris Fensom, BMus'92, received his MMus from the Eastman School of Music of the University of Rochester, N.Y., in May 1995. He was also appointed to the position of Associate Principal Trumpet with the Virginia Symphony in Norfolk, Va.

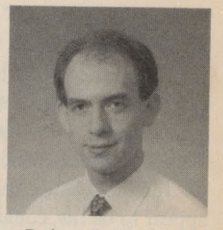
Zoë Paquette, BA'92, received an LLB from l'Université du Québec à Montréal and is now studying at l'École du Barreau of the Barreau du Québec.

Nicholas Preovolos, BCom'92, graduated from the Faculty of Law at the University of Toronto in June 1995, and is currently articling at the firm of Ladner Downs in Vancouver.

Lisa A. Stewart, BA'92, after graduation spent a year interning as a consultant in Washington, D.C. She now works for a small government relations firm.

Jamie Waese, BA'92, has completed a Master of Fine Arts degree in Film Producing at the University of Southern California Film School. A past president of the McGill Film Society, he is interested in finding out what the people he worked with there are now involved in. He can be contacted via e-mail: jamie.waese@turner.com.

Robert G. Wodnicki, BEng(Elec)'92, joined the Research and Development Center of General Electric in Schenectady, N.Y., in December 1995, as an analog microelectronics designer. He expects to receive his MEng (Elec) from McGill in 1996.



Robert G. Wodnicki

Gordon Yen, MBA'92, is working in Hong Kong as Assistant to the Director at Consolidated Electric Power Asia Limited. He has been finalizing a project in Indonesia with trips to Jakarta working with bankers and lawyers. Anyone wishing to completely eliminate their social life, he writes, should consider going into Project Finance.

T. Stephen Barry, BA'93, is a Media Planner for McLaren-McCann, Canada's largest advertising agency, in Toronto. He received his Certificate in Human Resources from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in 1994.

Marilyn Baxter, BSW'93, is on a one-year contract as Family Sevices Coordinator for Holland Centre, a non-profit community organization for the English-speaking community of the Québec/Chaudière-Appalaches region.

Roger Mendoza, PhD'93, was appointed in February 1995 by the Governor of Pennsylvania, Tom Ridge, to be a member of the Base Realignment Enclosure Commission. The nine-member panel will choose which military bases and installations will be closed, retained, merged or transferred to other U.S. states, and will develop plans for base reuse or privatization. Roger's PhD dissertation was about privatization of government corporations.

Loïc Babin, MEng'94, spent all of 1994 in the French army doing his military service and now works as a Process Engineer at Motorola Inc. in Toulouse, France.

Nan Wang, LLB'94, BCL'94, has joined the law firm of Stikeman, Elliott in Montreal. He is currently working at the firm's office in Hong Kong, where he practises corporate and commercial law, particularly regarding direct investment in China.

Alyson Byrd, BSc'95, will be spending a year in Namibia, Africa, as a volunteer teacher for World-Teach, a non-profit organization that provides educational assistance for countries in need.

Whitney J. Ralston, BSc'95, was selected to be a Traveling Consultant for Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity. In the 1995-96 school year she will aid the organization and programming for more than 30 collegiate chapters of the women's fraternity.

Whitney J. Ralston

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Feat of the gods?

I NEVER CAN RESIST LOOKING AT OLD manuscripts, so when you included an extract from the will of James McGill (Planning Giving Profile, Fall '95) I took a close look. To my surprise, it was dated 30th December 1813, or 17 days after Ol' Jim died! Since the signatures don't appear to be his, could we be looking at some lawyer's or executor's papers instead? The mystery deepens.

Michael Attas, BSc'73
Pinawa, Manitoba

ed. note: The extract of James McGill's will is from the McGill Archives' copy of the document. It is the notarized copy that was presented for probate December 30, 1813, and that is the date that appears therein. The signatures appearing in this extract are those of his executors. Thank-you for the assiduous reading of the McGill News!

Focus on the athlete

I WAS DELIGHTED TO READ YOUR STORY "The Alchemist" (Fall '95) about Richard Pound and the International Olympic Committee. I remember first learning about Richard's swimming successes in the summer of 1962. I was a 10-year-old water enthusiast at the time and spent most of each summer day swimming in the clear waters of Lake Massawippi, Quebec. Each evening at the cottage, the radio was switched on for the evening news on CBC, and for a whole week I was mesmerized by the Commonwealth Games sports reports coming out of Perth, Australia. Of course, Richard's name was featured almost everyday as he earned those four medals in swimming for Canada. In recent years, I have been aware of his ongoing contributions to sports through the IOC.

The amateur sports scene in Canada and internationally has changed both subtly and drastically since the innocent, halcyon days of the early sixties.

Women's swimming has been affected by two waves of systemic doping since Richard's days in the sport, once by the East Germans in the 1970s and 1980s and more recently by the Chinese in the late 1980s and early 1990s (19 positive steroids in four years). In spite of documented cheating in women's swimming for the past quarter century, Canadian female swimmers may not find a level playing field (pool?) provided for them this summer in Atlanta, if the IOC and swimming's governing body FINA do not act quickly to clean up the sport of swimming.

Our daughter, Jessica Amey, is one of Canada's top five swimmers heading down the road to Atlanta in the summer of 1996. She needs to know that, as Richard Pound says: "the focus is still on the athlete" in the Olympics. She needs to know that Richard Pound, as the next possible President of the IOC, is using the same attributes and skills ("tough, no-nonsense, single-minded, powerful, enormous influence") for the direct benefit of the competing athletes, and not only to "handle fat contracts" and wrin a public apology out of Quebec Premier acques Parizeau. She needs to know that athletes' concerns are not fourth or fifth on the list of IOC priorities. She needs to know that Richard Pound and the other IOC members are proactively doing everything in their power to ensure that Alanta is drug-free. Richard Pound is very clear that boycotts are "demoralizing to the youth of our country." Richard Pound now has a wonderful opportunity to again provide leadership to the world sporting community, this time on the ethical issue of doping. When he does, he will indeed be "one of the most remarkable people in the world of sports."

Mary Jane (Walker) Amey, BA'74
Allan Amey, BEng'71
Calgary, Alta.

Avoid stereotypes

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE FINE article "Witness to War" (Fall '95). However, the card reproduced on the contents page promotes the stereotype of Ukrainians persecuting Jews. (It has the Ukrainian Trident on it.) Such things ought to be avoidd!

V. Rev. Dr. Ihor G. Kutash
Montreal

ed. note: The identity card in question belonged to one of the interviewees, Freda Schipper, and was important because it showed her to be a non-Jew, which helped save her life. We used this authentic document, now fond in Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Museum in Jerusalem, to illustrate the times, not to promote stereotypes.

Met Boyd?

IN MY RESEARCH FOR A BOOK ON Erroll Boyd, I wish to contact anyone who met him or his navigator, Harry Connor, who were helped by McGill students in September 1930 during their enforced delay in Montreal. Please telephone me collect at (514) 388-7445.

Ross Smyth
Montreal

Corrections, Update, Clarifications

WE HUMBLY HAVE SOME CLARIFICATIONS to the "McGill *Daily* Editors Resurrected" (Winter '95). Here they are: Nesar Ahmad, who died tragically in a hijacking, never did actually graduate from McGill; Ely Raman's editorship was in 1953, not 1954-55, and we would have done well to mention that he went on to become Art Professor at Rutger's University for 12 years. George Kopp was the editor in 1975-76, not 1971; and Rosemary Oliver did submit that she was co-editor with Rick Goldman, and the *McGill News* omitted this fact. So, to her friends, stop bugging her! Finally, the idea for this whole feature came from Lori Yersh, BA'87, MEd'92, Annual Fund Officer.

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June 6, main campus, 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.: *Garden Party*
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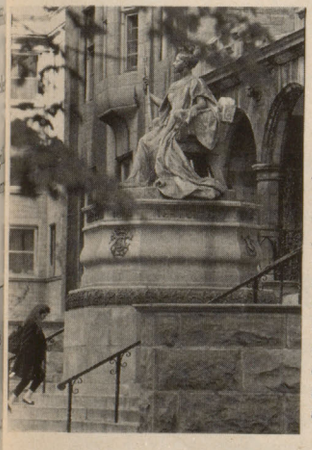
The Jogging Nonagenarian

To celebrate his 95th birthday, J. Richardson "Ritchie" Donald, OBE, BA '13, BSc '13, DSc'51, decided to go jogging.

The Montreal-born chemical engineer was living in retirement in Brockville, Ontario, at the time and had arranged to host a family dinner party that October evening in 1985. Earlier in the day, he had taken a bus ride to the surrounding countryside. Five kilometers out of town, he left the bus and proceeded to jog homeward.

The incident is recalled affectionately by his grandson, Robert Donald, LLB '82, who represents the fourth Donald generation to graduate from McGill in a period spanning more than century.

J. Richardson Donald, who lived into his 102nd year, enjoyed a life distinguished by more than just its duration. Donald was a McGill pioneer. Near the turn of the century, he was the only student in McGill's then-new chemical engineering program. Donald was also part of a family that was remarkable for its consistency of purpose and passing on of tradition.



When this statue of Queen Victoria on McGill's lower campus was unveiled in 1900 J. Richardson Donald was already ten years old. Donald was alive at the dawn of the twentieth century and almost survived into the twenty-first.

Not only did the Donalds establish a long-standing pattern of study at McGill; they also kept a successful business in the family for several decades. J. Richardson Donald joined the firm of consulting and analytical chemists established by his father, Dr. J. T. Donald, BA 1878, MA '88, in 1914. A generation later, he was joined in that enterprise by his own son, Gordon Thomas Donald, BA'49.

J. Richardson Donald, OBE, BA'13, BSc'13, DSc'51.

In addition to his peace-time career, "Ritchie" Donald put his training as a chemical engineer to use in Canada's war efforts in the twentieth century. He held key federal government posts during the two world wars and the Korean hostilities. He was Chief Inspector, Explosives, with the Imperial Ministry of Munitions from 1916 to 1919, and Director-General, Chemicals and Explosives Branch, in the Department of Munitions and Supply from 1939 to 1944. The onset of the Korean crisis found him in charge of the chemicals and explosives program at the Department of Defence Production.

Welcoming the Twentieth Century

Donald also achieved something that few people alive in the 1990s can claim: he participated in ushering in the twentieth century.

In his memoir, *Reminiscences of a Pioneer Canadian Chemical Engineer*, Donald tells of being taken to church at midnight, December 31, 1899, to attend a service marking the beginning of the century. "I have little recollection of the service but I do remember my father claiming that I would recall the occasion throughout the rest of my life," he writes.

McGill played a key role in Donald's literary life as well as his professional training. His memoirs were published though McGill's Department of Chemistry and dited by Professor Robert V. Nicholls and Emerius Professor Mario Onyszchuk; and his diaries, covering a 70-year period from 1918 to 1989, are reserved along with other papers of his in the McGill archives (copies of Donald's memoirs are available through Professor Onyszchuk in the Chemistry Department).

As he approached his centenary, "Ritchie" Donald became a great-grandfather. Great-granddaughter Christina was particularly impressed by her great-grandfather: not, however, because of his awards, his titles, or even his longevity. She was instead struck by his enthusiasm for spinach and beet greens!

In his lifetime, Donald financed a distinguished lecture series in chemistry to honour his father, the first of the four generations of Donalds to graduate from McGill. The series has now been permanently endowed.

One of the less formal honours J. Richardson Donald received in his lifetime was this certificate from his colleagues at the Allied War Services Corporation.

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IN MEMORIAM

THE 1910s

Margaret (Burritt) Clemes, DipPE'17, at Belmont, Ont., on September 7, 1995.

THE 1920s

Malca Hilda Friedman, CertSW'20, at Montreal on October 9, 1995.

Evelyn (Mills) Farrell, LMus'21, at Kitchener, Ont., on October 16, 1995.

G.K. Parke, MD'22, at Akron, Ohio, on January 10, 1995.

Mary Inez (Fry) Avison, BA'23, at Whitby, Ont., on October 30, 1995.

Henri Edmond Bourgoin, BA'23, at Bonnyville, Alta., on July 2, 1995.

Edward T. Harbert, BSc(Eng)'23, at Calgary on October 19, 1995.

W. Laurence Rochester, BSc(Ch)'24, at Ottawa on October 31, 1995.

Joseph Helal, Q.C., BCL'26, at Montreal on October 18, 1995.

Ruth Elizabeth (Murray) Airey, BA'27, at Toronto on October 24, 1995.

Robert Bryan Michener, MD'27, at Newton, Mass., in September, 1995.

John S.B. Pemberton, BA'27, at Don Mills, Ont., on November 3, 1995.

Marian (Ross) MacMahon, BA'28, at Boston, Mass., on November 27, 1995.

Norah B. Longworth, BCom'29, at Charlottetown on September 21, 1995.

Edith (McNaughton) Penhale, PE'29, at North Hatley, Que., on November 10, 1995.

THE 1930s

Frank A. Barlow, MD'30, at Florida in February 1995.

Walter Henry Philip Hill, BA'30, MD'34, at Victoria on September 5, 1995.

Catharine Kay (Black) Severs, BA'30, at Toronto on December 3, 1995.

A. Easton Grant, BCom'31, at Oakville, Ont., in 1995.

Albert Marcus, Q.C., BA'31, BCL'34, at Scarborough, Ont., on November 3, 1995.

Ruth (Middleton Hope) Clayton, DipPE'33, at Montreal on June 27, 1995.

Denis M. Collican, BEng(Ch)'33, at Ottawa on October 20, 1995.

Frederick J. McFarland, BCom'33, at Vancouver on October 4, 1995.

The Rev. R. Malcolm Ranson, BA'34, at Don Mills, Ont., on December 4, 1995.

J. Gibb Stewart, Q.C., BCL'34, at Hudson, Que., on October 13, 1995.

The Rev. Ralph M. Carmichael, BEng(Ch)'35, at Raquette Lake, N.Y., on August 26, 1995.

Norma (Roy) Kemp, BA'36, at Westmount, Que., on November 29, 1995.

Hugh Baldwin Savage, BCom'36, at Montreal on December 6, 1995.

A. Bradford Walsh, BSc(Agr)'36, at Baker Lodge, B.C., on October 18, 1995.

J. Benjamin Block, BEng(Ch)'37, at Montreal on September 3, 1995.

Pearl (Jacobs) Lieff, BA'37, MA'40, at Bedford, N.H., on November 4, 1995.

William J. Rosenberg, Eng'37, at Montreal on March 9, 1995.

Jack L. Greenwood, BSc'38, BCL'41, at Montreal on October 30, 1995.

Donald G. Hamilton, BSc(Agr)'38, at Ottawa on August 13, 1995.

W.A. Richard Laing, BA'38, MD'42, DipIntMed'52, at Knowlton, Que., on November 23, 1995.

David Fisher, BA'39, at Montreal on December 1, 1995.

Albert Mendelsohn, C.D., BEng(Mech)'39, at Ottawa on November 10, 1995.

Ivan Boyd Quinn, BA'39, at Vancouver on October 15, 1995.

Arthur James Skey, PhD'39, at London, England, on December 3, 1995.

THE 1940s

Pierre Mauffette, MSc'41, at Montreal on October 27, 1995.

Mary Elaine (Thompson) Shoults, BCom'42, at Qualicum Beach, B.C., on October 20, 1995.

Johannes Bjarnason, BEng(Mech)'43, at Reykjavik, Iceland, on June 8, 1995.

James R. Farish, MD'43A, at Sechelt, B.C., on November 26, 1995.

Kevin J. Fay, MD'43A, at Santa Barbara, Calif., on October 5, 1995.

H.B.G. Parlee, MD'43B, at Saint John, N.B., on July 28, 1995.

Hyman Surchin, BSc'43, MD'44, DipPE'51, at Montreal on December 2, 1995.

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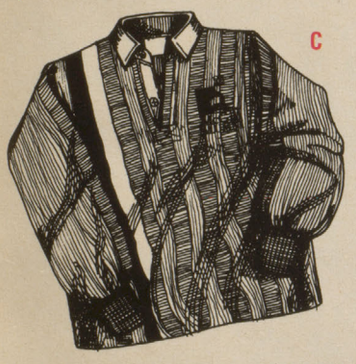

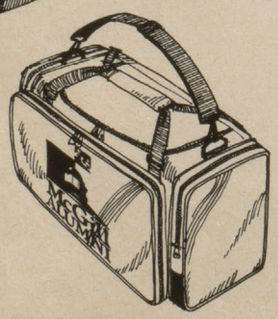

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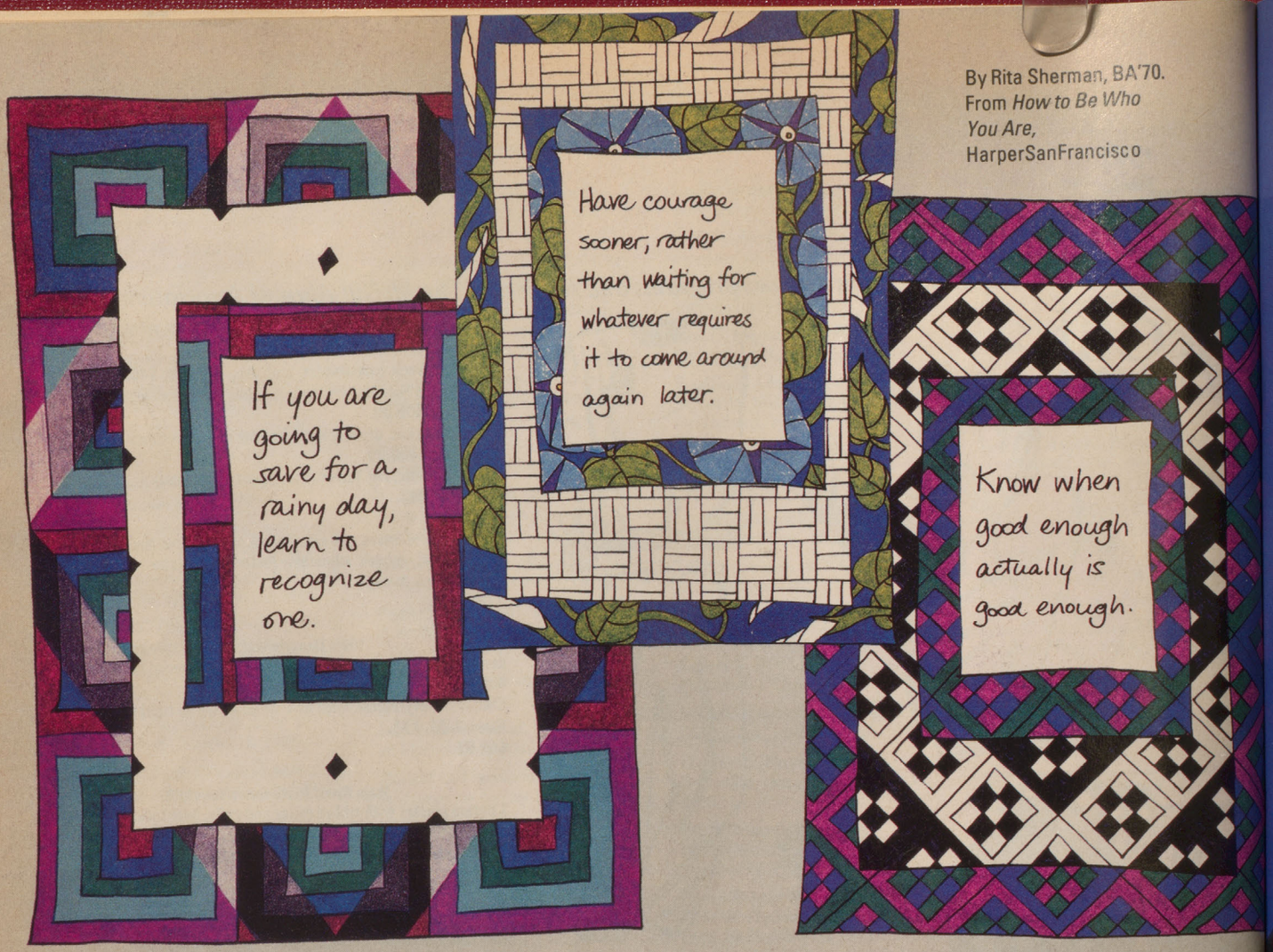

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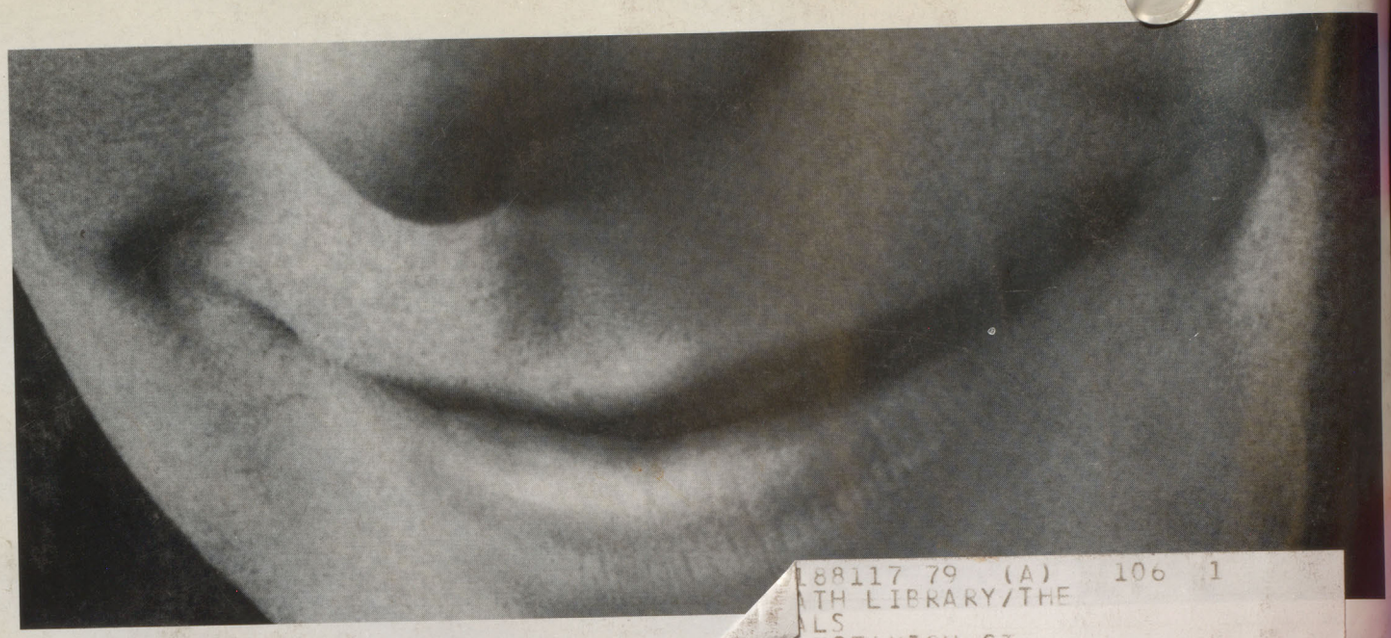

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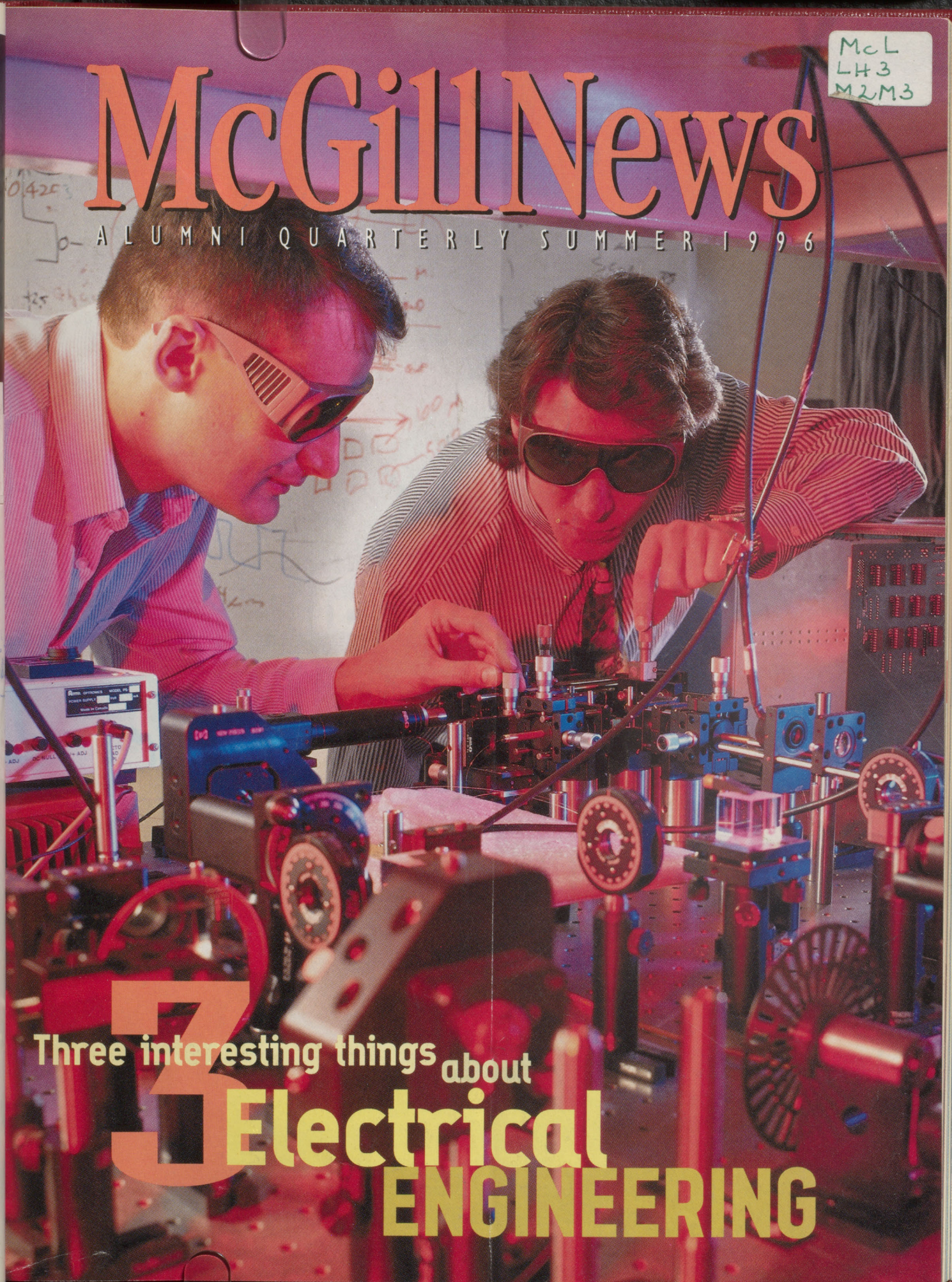

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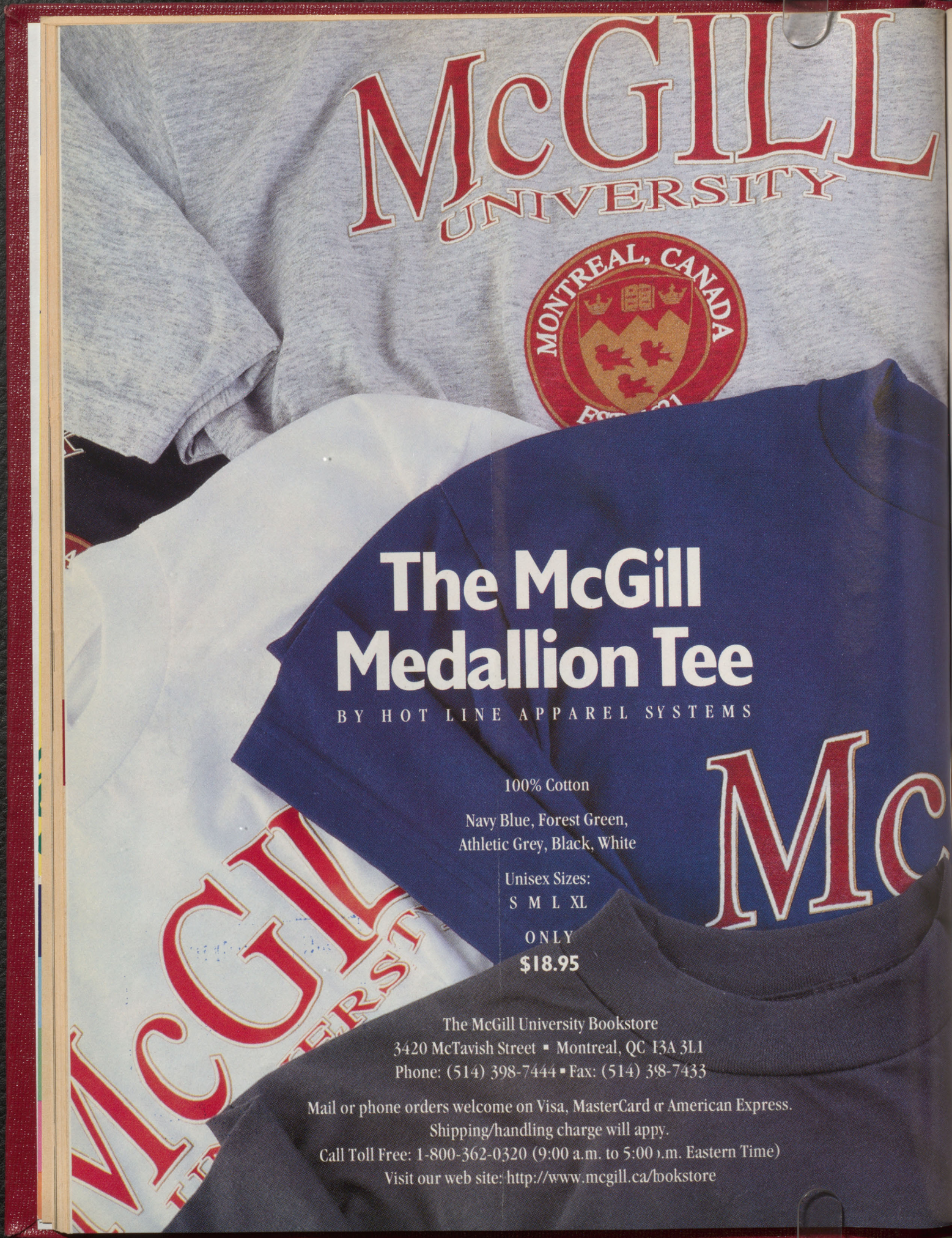

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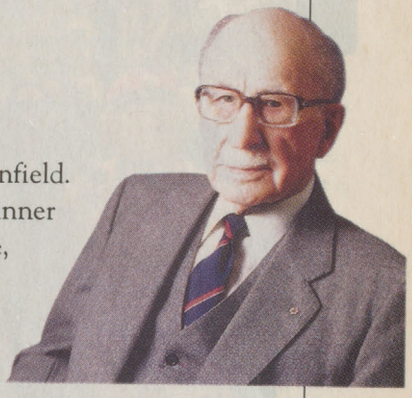

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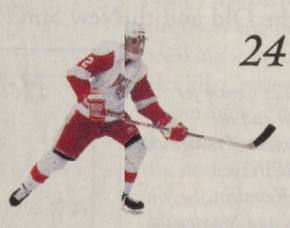

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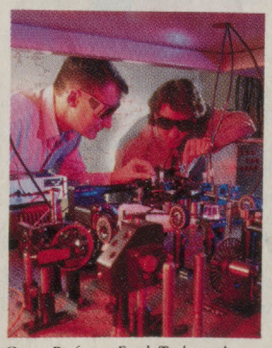

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Joy Harvie Maclaren, a Macdonald Class of '44 BSc nutrition graduate, continues a family tradition of care and service to the human community.

Since graduation from McGill's Macdonald campus, Joy Maclaren has served faithfully as a Class Agent. Her communications with classmates, first from her home in Buckingham, Quebec, and now from Ottawa where she currently resides, help sustain friendships and encourage annual giving to Macdonald through the Alma Mater Fund.

Joy Maclaren shares and continues her father's life-long interest in and support of Canada's aboriginal peoples, their traditions and advancement by supporting education across Canada. Her initiatives include endowed "Old Sun" entrance scholarships at Macdonald in memory of Eric Harvie, her father, who was given the name "Old Sun" by the Blackfoot of Alberta.

For her leadership in serving others and especially aboriginal people, Joy Maclaren recently received the name "New Sun" at a Naming Ceremony at Carleton University. This high honour was bestowed jointly by Mohawk, Ojibwa, and Blackfoot elders. The ceremonial shawl depicts both the Old and the New Sun.

At McGill's Centre for Nutrition and the Environment of Indigenous Peoples (CINE), Harriet Kuhnlein, 1, Director, and Macdonald nutrition students Bernadette de Gonzague, of the Abenaki nation in Odenak, and Janine Metallic, of the Micmac nation in Restigouche, examine hand-embroidered shawl presented to Joy Harvie Maclaren, r, when she received the name "New Sun." Both students are associated with CINE, and both received "Old Sun" scholarships, Joy Maclaren's gift honouring her father and the 50th anniversary of her graduation. Inset shows the ceremony in September 1995 hosted by Carleton University's Centre for Aboriginal Education, Research and Culture, at which Mrs. Maclaren received her new name. A past Governor of Carleton, she is an energetic advocate of full access to higher education for all minority groups, for native people, and for students with disabilities. Joy Maclaren's work continues a family tradition: Frederick N. Southam, her grandfather, was a Governor of McGill from 1931 to 1947.

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Once in a while I am struck by guilt and so, the story about the electrical engineering department in this issue. For years, subtle hints had come from the department about the wonderful and important innovations taking place there. But as any editor knows, science writing is difficult and competent science writers are a rare breed. By a stroke of luck, one of our stalwart freelancers, Patrick McDonagh, teaches writing to engineering students at Concordia and professed to have some insight into the engineering mind. ("They are project oriented," he reflected.) The Department of Electrical Engineering at McGill is a powerhouse; it attracts more research funding than any other and because it is the department which teaches computer circuitry, it is a powerful source of new information technologies. In an attempt to simplify, I asked Patrick to identify "three interesting things," which he does admirably in this issue. The department is certainly an upbeat place. Thank you to administrative coordinator Helen Mayer who cheerfully helped us pull the story together.

Electrical engineering students are top students, and accomplished. The problem with any talent, however, is that it can be used for bad as well as good. Just after our story was written, fraud charges were laid by the RCMP against a McGill electrical engineering student for breaking into the computer systems of McGill, Concordia and Sherbrooke universities. The case is being prosecuted this summer. At a preliminary hearing, the student pleaded not guilty. While I am not happy that this student had access to my personal McGill files, I certainly admire his talent – though McGill computer experts advised me that the truly talented are not caught. The necessity for computer security is just another of the security issues we'll face next century.

André Picard

André Picard, a Montreal-based reporter who recently won the Atkinson Fellowship in Public Policy Research, took on the Herbert Jasper story. He first wrote a column about Dr. Jasper for *The Globe and Mail*, then expanded the story for us. "I was surprised at the reaction – many people couldn't believe that this man existed and they hadn't heard about him, or that he still lived in Canada," said Picard. Perhaps Canada prefers its heroes quiet and humble.

McGill will not be so humble about its stunning success in meeting a $200 million campaign goal. The McGill Twenty-First Century Fund went over the top in May. I had to make a hasty update to the "Bleak and Uncertain, Valentine" story which certainly rendered it less bleak. All winter, I had followed campaign chair John Cleghorn's reports at the Board of Governors' meetings. In April the campaign was $6 million short; by the next meeting it had exceeded the goal. As I watched him remain steadfast at the end of a day of long meetings at McGill in a stuffy room (I guess protocol demands that bank presidents can't take off their jackets), it became apparent why the Royal Bank of Canada is so profitable. Look for an eight-page campaign story in our fall issue.

Howard Bokser

The *McGill News* had a bit of success of its own. Associate Editor Howard Bokser won a Gold Medal for Feature Writing, given by the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education, for the article "Witness to War" (Fall'95). The judges said: "Moving, heavyweight, fine writing"; "This is a very important story – the chronicling of events by those who lived them is the best assurance that history won't forget what happened." This was one of those stories which demand detailed research and much sensitivity in interviewing. Congratulations to Howard for coming up with the idea, then focussing energy on the project.

Janice Paskey

Brain gap

DID YOUR WRITERS OF "THE PUNDITS OF Peel Street" (Spring'96) suffer a blackout before they reached the top of Peel St.? Had they made it that far they would have noted the long-standing presence of the Centre for Developing Area Studies headed by Sam Noumoff, Professor of Political Science. You may know that Noumoff is acting as an eminence grise in Canada's current dispute with the United States over the Cuban blockade. Why did you omit the hub of McGill discussions about the South for more than 25 years?

Peter Stockdale, BA'80, PhD'95
Ottawa, Ont.

THE LAST ISSUE OF THE *McGILL NEWS* (Spring'96) arrived on my desk on International Women's Day. How appropriate, I thought, that "Brain Power: Here's Who's Who on Peel Street" was to be a major feature of the issue, for the McGill Centre for Research on Women would undoubtedly be featured. You can then understand my profound incomprehension on discovering (pp. 23-24) that the so-called "Pundits of Peel Street" do not include anything to do with women's studies. Are women's issues not part of punditry? Are women to be relegated to invisibility unless they are associated with masculine endeavours?

In your editorial of the same issue, I discovered that you had anticipated my "rightful indignation" on learning that we had been "missed" or could not be "fitted in"; no excuses or explanations are offered. Perhaps you do not know or have forgotten that over half the undergraduate students at McGill are women? that women's presence on campus (students, faculty and support staff) is now over 50 percent? that the MCRTW reaches out to women in *all* faculties on campus? that the Women's Studies Minor Program is the largest minor program on campus? that we are consulted regularly by the media outside McGill on issues concerning women and, in fact, on the very day that your issue arrived, our premises were invaded by CBC television crews and our phone lines tied up by their CBC radio colleagues?

Can you really believe that the Peel Pub is a more important candidate for punditry than we are? that Claridge Investment Ltd. has more to do with McGill than we do? Shame on you! You return to the stance and attitudes of the 1950s if you render women's concerns invisible on campus. I think you owe us one . . . .

Peta Tancred
Director, McGill Centre for Research and Teaching on Women

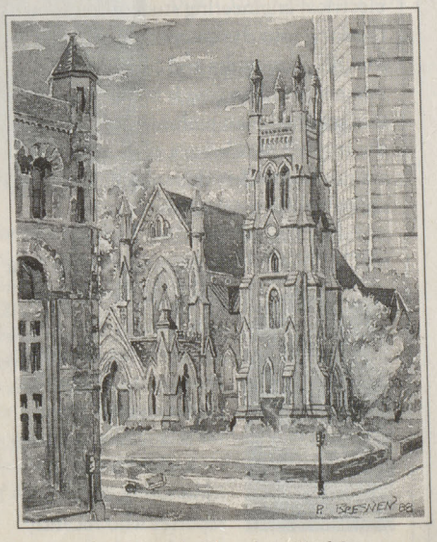
IN THE EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK (SPRING'96), you apologize to several units for not including certain of them. I wonder how carefully you examined the intellectual merits of, specifically, Graduate Communications before deciding not to include it. My concern is that you didn't even cite the name of this excluded unit correctly. It is the Graduate Program in Communications, not the McGill Graduate School of Communications. Though just a few words, the implicit difference is immense.

George Szanto
Professor, Graduate Program in Communications, McGill University

Saintly location

WHILE I WOULD NOT NECESSARILY PUT all of us in the class of "great McGill brains" (some of us far from it!), the staff of St. George's Church at the bottom of Peel Street is proud of our McGill connections. Our first rector (William Leach) left us to become Dean of Arts in the middle of the last century and we have had long connections with the Montreal Diocesan Theological College (e.g., parishioner A.F. Gault gave the building).

At present, both I and my associate, Ralph Leavitt, BTh'84, are McGill graduates, one of our lay pastoral assistants is a former head librarian at the McLennan Library (Alison Cole) and our head sidesperson is Derek Drummond (Director of the School of Architecture). Both are also McGill graduates. In addition, we include amongst our parishioners one dean (Stephen Toope), two professors and a lecturer and a number of fine McGill students. The McGill influence is felt strongly in our parish and, through us, into the wider church and community.



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Astrologer Osler

AS THE FORMER HEAD OF THE OSLER Library of the History of Medicine, I was delighted to read the horoscope of McGill College drawn up by my old friend and library *habitué* Axel Harvey ("The Horoscope of McGill College," Spring'96). I was less delighted by the editorial paragraph just beneath the title of the article, which states that William Osler "incorporated astrology into his medicine." This is not the case, and the error, I emphasize, is not the author's.

Sir William Osler (1849-1919) was a vigorous proponent of scientific medicine in the modern sense of the term. However, he was deeply fascinated by the history of medicine, and assembled a private collection of more than 8,000 rare and historic works relating to this subject. This collection is the core of the Osler Library of the History of Medicine. From about the 13th to the 17th centuries, astrology was considered an important auxiliary science of medicine; it was taught in reputable medical faculties, and many medical writers also wrote on astrological subjects. Hence Osler's collection of historical medical books includes many works on astrology – as well as on other subjects like alchemy, physiognomy and magic, which physicians of past centuries also considered medically useful. In short, Osler's astrological interests were historical, not clinical.

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LETTERS

I CAN'T JUDGE WHETHER "THE Horoscope of McGill College" may be useful to those governing the destiny of the University, but the editorial caption describing Osler as one who "incorporated astrology into his medicine" staggers me. The picture it suggests of Osler considering what astral body was in the ascendant on the birth date of Sir William Macdonald or Mrs. Rudyard Kipling before prescribing for either is wildly comic. Like any comprehensive collection in the history of medicine the Osler Library includes astrological books because that pseudo-science was for a very long time and as late as the 17th century thought by some physicians to be useful in diagnosis and prognosis. Osler was a million miles closer to today's medicine than to Paracelsus.

G.S.T. Cavanagh, BLS'51
Athens, Ga.

Let's stick together

I AGREE WHOLEHEARTEDLY WITH THE sentiments expressed by Desmond Morton, an outstanding and learned Canadian, on the subject of possible Quebec independence ("Morton's Mandate," Spring'96). But I would take issue with his statement: "International law is generous . . . [Quebec] would get all the federal assets on its territory, from buildings to jet fighters. Canada gets all the liabilities . . . ." I beg to differ. The Constitution of Canada, not international law, would determine what would happen. By virtue of Section 91, head 1A of the Constitution Act, only Parliament may legislate with respect to the public debt and property of Canada. There is a corresponding administrative power in the federal government. It would take a major constitutional amendment to change that, and that probably means the unanimous resolutions of Parliament and all the legislatures. This means there would be even more to squabble over than Dr. Morton suggests. An additional reason why we should work out our differences and stick together.

Derek Aylen, Q.C., BA'53
Ottawa, Ont.

Lonely status

SO DESMOND MORTON HAS JOINED THE McGill Institute for The Study of Canada because "Jobs for us old white guys are getting scarce" ("Morton's Mandate," Spring'96). Luckily for Mr. Morton, the Institute was established by Charles Bronfman (old white guy) and its funding is matched by McGill (headed by Bernard Shapiro, another old white guy).

One hopes that Mr. Morton can find comfort in his lonely status as a token elderly white male by consorting with some of his colleagues who were also featured in the Spring'96 edition of the *McGill News*: David Johnston, Michael Milde and Storrs McCall (old white guys all). Or perhaps he can commiserate with the group of men nominated for the Board of Governors by the Alumni Association: James G. Wright, James A. Robb, and Ian Van C. MacLachlin . . . old white guys (what a surprise!). When his days are done as the Director of the MISC, I can only hope that someone will fund an Institute for the Study of Old White Guys. Its mandate can be "to promote a better understanding of privilege, through the study and appreciation of old white guys."

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Nepean, Ont.

Wildly unprofessional

LIKE STEPHEN TARGETT (LETTERS, Spring'96), I was surprised and disappointed by the sour note on which the story "McGill Daily Editors Resurrected" (Winter'95) ended. However, since the sour note in question involved some comments that I myself made, this may require some explanation.

I was surprised because the disputed observations were made in the course of a letter that I assumed to be personal correspondence between myself and the editor of the *McGill News*. If I had known that the *McGill News* intended to pick out segments of this letter at its discretion, I would have chosen my words much more carefully. (In the original letter, the passage that disturbed Mr. Targett continued with the qualification: "I grant that my perspective may be somewhat biased . . . .")

The thought had crossed my mind to complain about this. However, given the wildly unprofessional journalistic practices that I used to engage in while editor of the *Daily*, I thought it best to regard it simply as a taste of my own medicine.

Joe Heath, BA'90
Professor of Philosophy
University of Toronto

Editor's note: With all due respect, the intention to publish excerpts from the submissions of former Daily *editors was made explicit. Each (some ran to eight pages) was edited for length, most to the satisfaction of those concerned.*

Yankee-bashing

RON COLE CITES WITH PRIDE THE FACT that the UN Human Development Report again rated Canada in first place based on such criteria as life expectancy, education and income (Letters, Winter'95). Good. But in typical Canadian fashion, he found it necessary to point out that Canada was ahead of the United States where pedestrians have to worry "about being shot at, blown up, or sued" (in the street?).

This often-seen need to gloat about the superiority of Canada over the United States is so adolescent. It is particularly ironic since the writer finishes his letter with the admonition to Canadians not to throw stones in a glass house.

Neils H. Nielsen, BA'51, MA'54
Princeton, N.J.

Editor's Note

The McGill News *was deluged by letters praising the Spring'96 cover and asking how to obtain prints. Unfortunately, the work is in a private collection and no prints exist. Congratulations to painter Andris Leimanis for capturing the hearts of McGill graduates.*

Corrections

THE ARTICLE "FEDERALISM: SWISS STYLE" (Spring'96) had two editing errors. The caption on page 12 should have noted that the Swiss population is evenly divided among Protestants and Catholics. On the following page, it should have noted that both Canada *and Switzerland* rely on exports for one-third of their GDP. The author's point remains: if Canada were to follow the Swiss style of federalism, it should consider the immobilizing effects of Swiss consensus-governed politics.

In "Morton's Mandate" (Spring'96), the *McGill News* reported that Joe Ghiz was the former premier of Nova Scotia. Of course, that should be Prince Edward Island.

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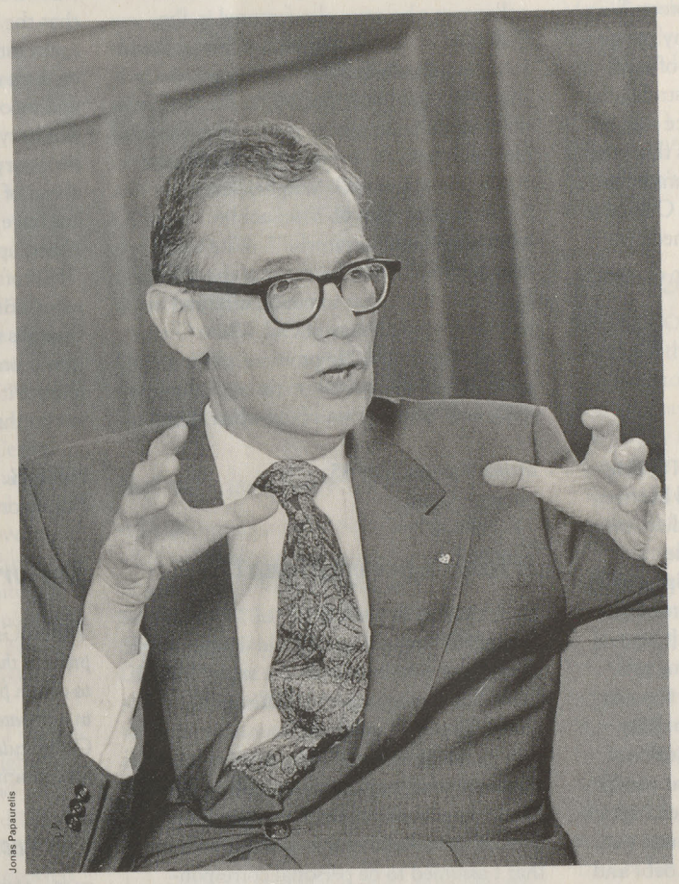
Bleak and Uncertain, Valentine

Grab a coffee and a cookie and come along to the McGill Board of Governors meetings where McGill's vital signs are well monitored

by Janice Paskey

"The approach of St. Valentine's day, although it will have passed by the time you receive this memo, encourages, almost demands, a hearts-and-flowers approach to each other," wrote Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, in his February report to the Board of Governors, moving on to outline a string of academic successes. *Hmmm.* While it is rumoured the principal is terribly romantic in his personal life, this lead is decidedly uncharacteristic of his cut-to-the-heart-of-the-bad-news, lay-it-out-on-a-slab-and-dissect-it approach. The Board meeting begins, and I spy McGill's public relations director Kate Williams nodding approvingly. Aha! This good news lead is vintage Kate influence. *Sans doute.*

Valentine's Day niceties predictably dissipate. What is McGill's situation? "The budget outlook for 1996-97 continues to be not only bleak but uncertain," according to the principal who, at each Board meeting, peers through his signature Buddy Holly-style glasses, supportively flanked by Board chair Richard Pound, BCom'62, BCL'68, and chancellor Gretta Chambers, BA'47. The Board of Governors is the major decision-making body of McGill University, reflecting its many constituents; there are major business leaders, with cars and drivers waiting outside while they attend meetings, alongside tweed-jacketed professors walking in from their on-campus offices. Increasingly, the volunteer Board members have been asked to attend fewer general meetings and contribute more on the committee side.



Jonas Papaurelis

Principal Bernard Shapiro plants a point

Another innovation is the invitation of guest speakers. At the February meeting, the President of Canadian National, Paul Tellier, spoke to the Board. He praised McGill's internationalism and high standards, but also noted that the economic decline of Montreal after 25 years away has shocked him. The comments triggered heated debate about Quebec. Governor Sheila Kussner, BA'53, LLD'90, expressed her disgust at receiving a threatening letter, allegedly from the FLQ. Tellier concluded by urging McGill not to take sides in the sovereignty debate, but to encourage tolerance and to think globally.

Yet, McGill is overwhelmingly forced to think locally. According to Board member Charles Perrault, BEng'43, MEng'46, who spoke at the March meeting, the ongoing Quebec inquiry, *La Commission des États Généraux sur l'éducation*, feels universities are fat-cat institutions that can't control costs, where people receive high salaries and don't have to work very hard. All Quebec universities are arguing that the commission grossly misread the university statistics.

Board members consider difficult issues. The current political and fiscal environment means that universities are less likely to receive broad-based public support, especially in competition with health care. In March, McGill sustained a $14 million budget cut from the Quebec government. Right now, McGill has no flexibility to compensate for the cut. As noted at the Board meetings over the winter term, the Administration is arguing for two immediate changes: an increase in tuition fees and mandatory retirement. Along with other Quebec universities, McGill's tuition fees are set by the Quebec government. At $1,670 for a Canadian undergraduate, they are the lowest in the nation. McGill has consistently asked that Quebec bring the fees up to the Canadian average of $2,500, but there appears to be no relief in sight. Over the last 15 years, the number of university-educated Quebecers has doubled, with major gains in the francophone population, and low tuition remains a populist policy. For McGill, the status quo means a serious inability to recoup lost funds.

Besides increased tuition fees, McGill is arguing for a reintroduction of mandatory retirement at age 65. McGill currently pays $6.4 million in salaries for professors over the age of 65 and $641,000 for staff. Only Quebec and Manitoba have no mandatory retirement; but its reintroduction here, McGill's administration argues, would help cut costs. "Part of the difficulty is that the situ-

ation is so specific to university faculties. No other sector or staff group exhibits much interest in staying on beyond what used to be the standard retirement age," Principal Shapiro reported to the Board in his March Report. He also made clear that, while he does not believe productivity declines with age, faculty renewal is more important. With salaries forming 80 percent of McGill's overall budget, Shapiro stated his plan to reduce the number of McGill executive positions by 25 percent, from 32 to 24, as quickly as possible. In the face of this fact, however, the principal said he felt compelled to add one new position, an executive director of Human Resources (Robert Savoie). Employee problems have burdened McGill's legal department, and the necessary outside legal fees have burdened McGill. As an example, four McGill employees from the Department of Facilities Management left the University last November after an internal review. Several court cases are pending, and the Principal reiterated the need for McGill to be above reproach with the use of public and private funds.

Even in the face of budget cuts, Shapiro told the Board, he was concerned about underfunded areas: deferred maintenance, pay equity, compensation for badly paid junior faculty, and libraries. At the January Board meeting, John Hallward, BA'50, suggested the use of undesignated donations to fund the libraries. "The problem is we all agree that libraries need extra money, that is, until we take money from their budgets. No one wants to sacrifice from their budgets," Shapiro said.

For those wanting to know where McGill is going these days, a glance at the Principal's early report to the Board nicely outlines Shapiro's 1996 priorities: the successful completion of The McGill Twenty-First Century Fund campaign (efforts to reach the $200 million goal continued for a few months after deadline because of the dogged leadership of John Cleghorn, BCom'62, president of the Royal Bank of Canada, who announced in May that the goal was exceeded with pledges from the Cole Foundation, Chrysler Canada, Richardson Greenshields and Pfizer Canada Inc.), the hiring of a new Vice-Principal of Development and Alumni Relations, and the development of a model for future "friend/fundraising" work in cooperation with the deans, the possibility of opening a McGill office in Toronto, and cooperation of the Admissions Office and alumni in the recruitment of students. (Alumni will help recruit students in three cities: in Quebec City, to draw more francophone students; in Vancouver, which regularly delivers the bulk of scholarship winners; and in Boston, the site of a major university fair for high-school students.)

Another point of concern was a public discussion about international students. (McGill has the highest rate, 11 percent, of any university in Canada.) The Board discussed a *La Presse* article which questioned the value of Quebec taxpayer subsidies to international students. Principal Shapiro reacted with a letter to the editor stressing their value. He told Board members he thought the *La Presse* article was a political trial balloon and he even advocated increasing McGill's proportion of international students from 11 to 25 percent. Indeed, he thought an ideal student body would be 50 percent Quebec students, 25 percent out-of-province and 25 percent international students. A story then surfaced which provided perfect ammunition for McGill's pro-international student stance. Two McGill graduates, Raul Gurdian, BCom'45, and Rodolfo Gurdian, BEng'45, owners of Corporación Superior S.A. in Costa Rica, had approached Hydro Quebec to help build a $16.5 million hydro-electric plant in that country. The connection came because the Gurdians were familiar with Quebec Hydro as a result of their study in Quebec, illuminating future advantages of international students.

Board chair Richard Pound, BCom'62, BCL'68

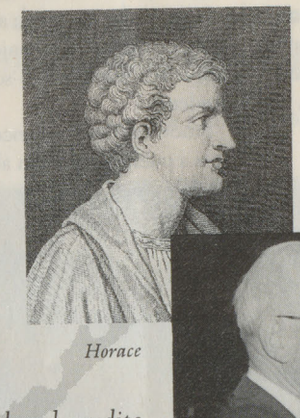
Not all government news was bad. In its March budget, the federal government increased tax credits for charitable donations from 20 to 50 percent of net income, while those who make a bequest will have a deduction on 100 percent of net income in the year of death and the preceding year. For donations of appreciated property which trigger a capital gain, the charitable donation deduction limit will be 100 percent of the 75 percent of taxable capital gains. McGill currently raises $41 million a year in private support.

The $8 million Jimmy Man Hung Wong gift was acknowledged by the Board with the naming of the "M.H. Wong Building" for material sciences. At a winter meeting, Board member Brenda Norris spoke up about McGill's policy to name buildings only if at least one-half the private sector cost is donated: "I hope McGill will not recognize the Shatner Building [named for William Shatner by the students] given that he's never given any money to McGill. This is grossly unfair. Are there any steps McGill is taking?"

Board Chair Richard Pound replied: "I assume there's all sorts of steps we are *not* taking," to a round of laughter.

MEN OF LETTERS

Some 25 years ago Russ Merifield, BA'38, BCL'41, was working as a general manager at a five-person enterprise which became the large trust company, Victoria and Grey. He reports: "Our flexible five-person team looked after management problems with little concern for the job descriptions and jurisdictional boundaries. One of the jobs that fell to me was advertising. I enlisted the late Bob Campbell, BA'30, a remarkably skilled and erudite wordsmith. One of our promotions was a one-minute spot on the radio station CBL just before the 8:00 a.m. news. The campaign started with a short, memorable quotation in praise of money, followed by a 50-second pitch selling the services of Victoria and Grey Trust. Since the script changed every week, it became increasingly difficult to find bright sayings in favour of the precious green stuff. Most were along the lines of 'Love of money is the root of all evil.' Not exactly the sermon we had in mind."



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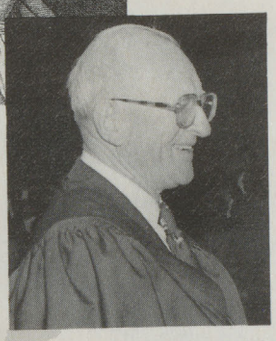


Russ Merifield, BA'38, BCL'41

Bob's search for favourable comments about money even took him back to his old Bishop's College School Latin books where he found a useful quotation by the Roman poet, Horace. This led to the following exchange of letters with the Department of Classics at Queen's University.

February 9, 1973
Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario

Mr. R.R. Merifield, General Manager
Victoria and Grey Trust Company
197 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario

Dear Sir,

As one whosehome is presently being financed by a Victoria and Grey mortgage and who holds some of your investment certificates, I am always interested in the type of advertisingyour company uses. And as a teacher of Latin at Queen's University I was struck by one radio "spot" advertisement which I recently heard on CBC (Toronto) this morning.

It began (if I can recall) like this: The Roman poet Horace said, "Make noney first." The quote is from Horace's First Epistle, ine 53. The trouble is that Horace gives this view to be rejected: that is, although you hear this at the stock exchange, even street urchins know better! What Horace considers of prime importance is virtue.

Now if your agency quoted Shakespeare this badly out of context, they would hear about it. Doing this to Horace will draw less criticism, but is, in my view, no less reprehensible. They did not do their homework.

Sincerely yours,
R.S. Kilpatrick

February 20, 1973

Dr. R.S. Kilpatrick, Department of Classics
Queen's University, Kingston, Ont.

Dear Dr. Kilpatrick,

Mr. R.R. Merifield of Victoria and Grey Trust has forwarded to me your letter of Feb. 9 regarding my quoting Horace out of context.

First let me say *mea culpa.*

Second, let me explain that the quotations used on CBL are ones I took from anthologies of quotations in libraries. As you are aware, such quotations are seldom with reference to context. Sometimes there is not even a reference to the work from which they are taken. (I asked a junior librarian, once, about the source of a particular quotation. She looked it up and returned to the telephone to tell me it was from "ibid.") The result is that there are bound to be distortions, unless one is prepared to wade through everything an author wrote. Without such lengthy research, all one can do is lean on one's memory, guess at the probable context, use one's judgment, and take refuge in the certainty that at least 99 percent of the listening audience is unlikely to weigh the context too meticulously.

While you are perfectly right in your contention that I erred in this particular instance, there is, I think, room for making a wrong assumption on some of the things Horace said unless, of course, the whole passage is reviewed.

The fact of the matter is that I was, at the time I jotted down this quotation, thinking of the wrong Horace. Quintus Horatius Flaccus is a sort of old friend of mine. I went to school with him and I have always been convinced there were two of him. The quotation I have used could have been from Horace I. It could not have been from Horace II . . . and that is where I erred.

I think of Horace I as the fellow who escaped from the penury of a farmhome in which a living was eked out by collecting taxes and in the auctioneering business. That Horace took off for Rome in time to be around when Brutus did the dirty. Then he made a bad alignment politically and eventually found himself one of the defeated at Phillipi. This defeat and the humiliation he suffered from it appears to have caused at least a withdrawal from people and office and he appeared to be resigned to living on the farm Maecenas gave him, where he boozed it up. Surely this Horace I was, at the time, quite capable of advocating "Make money first," in the connotation in which I used it.

As the Horace II emerged, writing Odes and reaching to poetic philosophy and finally to the Epistles, he became, as I see it, a different person. He turned his back on dissipation, questioned the greed for money. He displayed the same pattern of so many aging philosophers. "Gold will be slave or master" and "Riches either serve or govern the possessor." Which Horace wrote *odi profanum vulgus et arceo*? He'd never have made it as an NDP candidate!

When I attended Bishop's College School, the school motto, *recti cultus pectora roborant*, was reputed to have been written by Horace. It is certain that the inscription on the Roll of Honour, *dulce et decorum est pro patria mori,* was written by him.

Now Dr. Kilpatrick, weighing time costs and pressures, there is simply not time to take a quickie course in literature in order to validate each quotation as to its total context. And no man can be right in his quick guess every time. So I'll just have to plug along doing pretty much as I am and hoping I strike it right more frequently than wrong.

This sort of work – and it is a small segment of my total promotional involvement – does have the virtue of bringing me happily into correspondence with interesting and concerned people like yourself. I can assure you I will be more careful in my employ of the latter-day, or reformed Horace. . . *de mortuis nul nisi bonum.*

Thank-you for your interest. It's encouraging to know there are people like you among our listeners.

Sincerely yours,
Robert M. Campbell

(not dated)

Queen's University
Kingston, Ontario
Department of Classics

KINGSTON 1973

Dear Mr. Campbell,

Thank-you very much for your letter. It was a tonic for a Monday morning in Kingston.

Although I am not sure I can forgive you for the slip and for making a schizophrenic out of my favourite poet, it is a pleasure to know that someone is thinking about him. Perhaps both our interests would be served if we collaborated. Again, thank-you for a most urbane reply.

Sincerely yours,
Ross Kilpatrick

TORONTO 1973

P.S.:

Russ Merifield became vice-president, secretary and general counsel of Victoria and Grey Trust Company (now National Trust), and retired in 1981. At McGill, he was a member of the 1938 Championship Football team and is the second senior surviving Past-President of the Students' Society (1939). He comments: "In this Queen's vs. McGill word game, the Redmen at least salvaged a tie. Perhaps it was even a win/win situation, with each side gaining a point."

REALITY CAN'T HELP BUT CLASH WITH THEORY WHEN IT COMES TO THE PHILOSOPHY OF FEMINISM COURSE. THERE'S EQUAL DISDAIN FOR RICH WHITE WOMEN EATING BON-BONS ON THE COUCH, AS WELL AS YOUNG FEMINISTS WHO DON'T EAT BREAKFAST.

BON-BONS AND A BIG BREAKFAST

BY JANICE PASKEY

THE BEAUTY OF UNDERGRADUATE UNIVERSITY education, some would argue, is that one does not actually *have* to attend classes at all. Yet, the 118 students are here *en masse*. They jostle for seats: ubiquitous denim, hair long on men, short on women, scarves, bangles and jangles, short skirts, long skirts, black tights, ripped jeans, knapsacks seemingly flung over every shoulder, snowy hats and mittens shaken out. The course, Introduction to Feminist Theory, is being taught by Marguerite Deslauriers, BA'77, the first tenured woman professor in McGill's philosophy department. I notice about eight men interspersed in the crowd. Over the entire winter term, no two men will ever sit together. (They are usually of two types, the professor observes later, men who are hostile to the material or men interested in gender issues.) My plan was to anonymously attend a few classes as I wanted to write about the state of feminism at McGill, but the material compelled regular attendance.

I'd heard various students avoid this class. The professor is said to be a notoriously difficult marker. "I couldn't afford the mark on my transcript," said one McGill student who had her heart set on law school, and dropped out after viewing her mark on the first assignment. An English major breathed a sigh of relief that her final mark, a C plus, wouldn't do too much damage to her overall GPA. Yet another had it figured out: "I recommend everyone take the course, but take it as a pass/fail." The professor comments: "The average grades in this course are not lower than grades in other philosophy courses: C plus to B minus."

Photo: Marie-Louise Deruaz

Marguerite Deslauriers,
philosophy professor

I am reminded of a management professor who told me students give good teaching evaluations to professors who give high marks. With Marguerite Deslauriers then, there is a paradox: even with dishing out "philosophy-average" grades, grades not good enough to land a place in teacher's college, never mind law school, Deslauriers won the H. Noel Fieldhouse Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1990. It is given for the best professor in the Faculty of Arts; Deslauriers is the first philosophy professor to win, the second woman after Ruth Wisse. (Philosophers Charles Taylor and James Tully won while in political science.) While her primary field is ancient philosophy, feminism is a central interest. "Students will tell me years later that the introductory feminism course changed their lives; when I teach Aristotle they don't come to me years later and say, 'Learning Aristotle changed my life,' " she comments.

For the winter '96 term, the course was taught in a lecture hall in the McConnell Engineering Building. Students had two classes and one tutorial each week, and four assignments, one marked by the professor. The tuition fee was $166.38, quite probably the best value for feminist education in the nation.

January 8, 1996

The professor wears a headset with a microphone. "We begin with two assumptions," Marguerite Deslauriers begins, "that women do not now enjoy equality with men, and that this is neither a natural nor necessary state of affairs." The readings for the course are in a thick $50 binder. No binder is on reserve at the library. The professor hasn't thought of it, and the library won't list the book without six week's notice. One student complains about that. The readings encompass Mary Wollstonecraft, Simone de Beauvoir and Andrea Dworkin. "It matters how you feel about feminist material, how you respond to the material, in order to learn what the material is trying to teach you," Deslauriers begins. "It is unpleasant material. It's unpleasant to think of women as victims." We get into a theoretical talk about conversational styles and how women often preface questions with, "I'm not really sure, but; this may be a silly question, but. . . ."

January 10, 1996

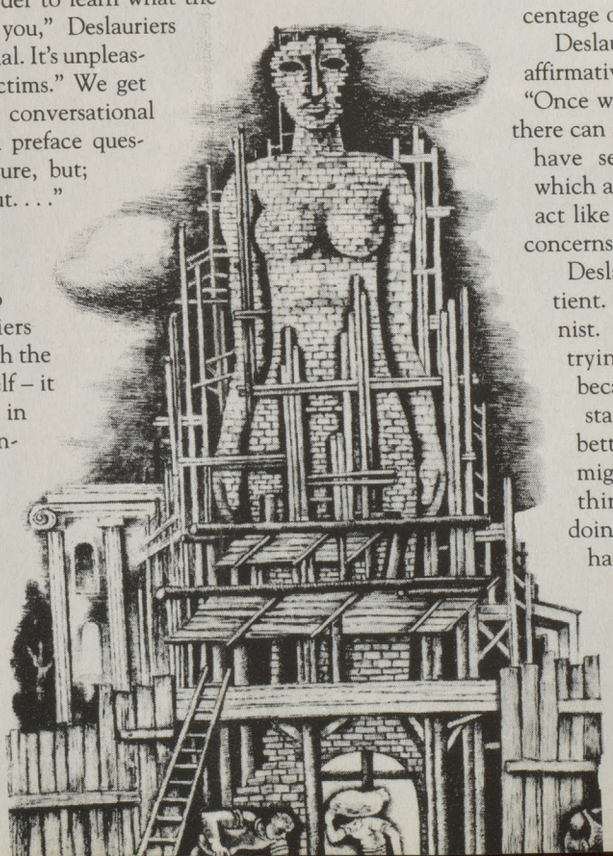
"There are two reasons to study feminism," Deslauriers says. "One. Acquaintance with the truth always recommends itself – it is better than continuing life in illusion. Two, feminist consciousness can spare you from hating yourself and from putting other's interests ahead of your interests, always." A woman student asks: "How do you not analyze everything?"

Answer: "You *do* analyze everything always. You have good days and bad days, but you get better at knowing what's more important and what's less important." During some of the questions, students are talking among themselves. Deslauriers becomes curt. "Look, I don't mind if you ask questions but I can't stand the murmuring." A student begins a question with, "This may be a silly question but. . . ."

That night I'm talking with a friend, and we speculate about the source of Deslauriers's doctorate. Harvard or Yale, I say. No way, says my friend emphatically, "With that uptight murmuring comment, she's got to be Queen's or U. of T." We bet lunch. I check the University calendar which lists professor's qualifications. She's MA/PhD from Toronto. Indeed, our behaviour is all too classic; Deslauriers later tells me students take "an unusual personal interest in whoever teaches the course." It is a burden. Last fall, Deslauriers met a McGill philosophy student at a conference. "This student knew what my child care arrangements were, that I was on maternity leave, that my husband was not teaching this term so he could take care of the baby. She knew all about my personal life. Not *all* about my personal life but more than you would expect an undergraduate who'd never taken my course to know," observes Deslauriers. She attributes it to the fact that there aren't many women in the department. "They're very interested to see how we work things out," she says. It could be you, I offer. She rejects the idea.

January 15, 1996

Today's lecture: liberal feminism and welfare feminism. "Liberal feminism involves removing legal barriers to give women the same opportunities as men, but it's difficult to be a liberal feminist without being a welfare feminist," the professor continues. We shift from theory to reality. "As early as the seventies, there was a quota on the number of women in McGill medical school. I realize that some of you were just born in the seventies, and this may seem like a long time ago, but it's not." The class discusses the low percentage of women engineers.



Deslauriers points out problems with affirmative action, a welfare feminist tool. "Once women get into positions of power, there can still be a problem, because women have sexism internalized," she argues, which as far as I can gather means women act like men, and are not sensitive to the concerns of women.

Deslauriers becomes suddenly impatient. "To be blunt, I'm a radical feminist. I don't believe in spending time trying to change men's attitudes because they have an interest in the status quo. My approach is that it's better to change women, because they might find they enjoy some of the things they were prevented from doing. I believe in major social overhaul." She chooses and enunciates each word carefully, pacing back and forth in front of the blackboard.

There's a question from a male student: "Is this the time for the change? Why now? There has

been an evolution," he argues. "Twenty years ago this class wouldn't exist." I feel my body tense, anticipating her response. "Look, 20 years ago," Deslauriers says, her voice quickening, "there were *no* women faculty (in the philosophy department) when I was an undergrad. . . ." She stops, realizing her frustration, perhaps, is not useful to the explanation. She talks about the paucity of women in public life, the reluctance of women to speak in public.

JANUARY 17, 1996

Today we address a short, punchy piece, "Ain't I a woman," by Sojourner Truth, an illiterate black American woman whose comments were recorded. "This is a great piece of rhetoric," Deslauriers declares. "It's a great piece of philosophy and argument. Notice that people without education can come up with good arguments. You need to recognize a good argument when you see it. Very different things can count as good philosophy."

Truth argues that Christ was made from God and woman, man had nothing to do with it. Some students seem confused so Deslauriers pauses to explain the concept of the trinity. She adds: "Mary is a vessel, Joseph is nothing, I would argue."

One male student, obviously a Victorian buff, delivers an strange monologue about Mary Wollstonecraft, how she was anti-marriage, then got married, then her husband left here and she tried to commit suicide.

"This doesn't have to happen to you, if you become a feminist," Deslauriers drawls to the glee of many students.

JANUARY 24, 1996

"When I first taught, I didn't teach about women of colour. There were two reasons. First, I was uncomfortable teaching this, and second, I didn't think it was important. My students convinced me differently, I still used the word 'they' to talk about women of colour, which shows discomfort on my part in lecturing about their experience. I realized that avoiding women of colour in a course about feminism was not the right way to go.

"It is not an accident that I'm a white woman lecturing here today. It's not like I go to white supremacist meetings, but this is the occasion for us all to mention privileges we do and don't enjoy. Women of colour believe they are different from the women who set the feminist agenda." Indeed, I cannot think of one black woman professor at McGill.

JANUARY 29, 1996

The status of black women is lower than any other group. According to the writers of a "Black Feminist Statement", there is solidarity with progressive black men (both groups experience racism), while very few female feminists feel solidarity with white men. The idea is explored.

Deslauriers beautifully teaches each class, a clear rendition of the lectures, some personal comments, frequent pauses for students' questions. Each question is carefully listened to and answered.

A male student asks a question about lesbians, and their being impregnated without sexual intercourse, which is totally off topic. Deslauriers looks at him quizzically: "I don't remember talking about impregnating anyone," she says in a hallmark deadpan manner.

We're on to talk about one of the leading black feminists,

Jack Goldsmith

CRESSIDA HEYES (BA, OXFORD; MA '93, MCGILL)

When doctoral candidate Cressida Heyes, 25, taught Philosophy of Feminism last year, students wanted to know how to be a good feminist in the nineties, how to get involved. 'I don't mind talking to students on that level at all." She was less comfortable with the call for personal counselling, though qualified. The winner of a Commonwealth Scholarship, Heyes designed and implemented a training course for counsellors at McGill's Sexual Assault Centre. Last year, the Centre won the Women's Safety Award from the City of Montreal.

She feels the work of younger women feminists "gets erased at McGill" and contributes to the stereotype that they are not carrying the activist torch. Computer listserves, Heyes notes, are dominated by established women academics moaning and groaning about the MTV generation.

Heyes's own dissertation considers essentialism, the idea that all women share a common property, and includes an analysis of the anti-sexual violence movement. Though her friends tell her, "It's hopeless, give it up," she hopes to land a faculty position after finishing. If successful, she knows she will be on trial as a professor. "Students do have a real fascination with the teacher, the teacher's sexual life, and politics."

bell hooks, and the difference between oppression/exploitation and discrimination. Being a woman is disadvantageous to all women, says Deslauriers. "There's a difference between being a rich dissatisfied housewife eating bon-bons on the couch, and a ghetto mother wondering where the next meal is coming from.

"All suffering is not equal."

A woman student asks a question, it's more a rant really, in a painfully high-pitched voice, about how she didn't know one Jewish person or hardly any black people when she was growing up, and Deslauriers listens patiently.

She says finally, "Your point, I think, is 'I didn't do it.' " That isn't good enough. I think we are morally responsible for finding out what the world is like." The class erupts into clapping and cheering. "This is Aristotle, by the way, not newfangled feminism," she says.

Marxism and Feminism

The class begins with a student announcing a protest on February 7 against federal social spending cuts. "There's $40 billion in deferred taxes, and $3.7 billion in cuts, so if the corporations just paid their taxes we would not need to have the cuts." There is low energy in the class. The air is very stale from the class before us. Deslauriers stops. "Is something going on here?" she asks impatiently. "I feel there's something going on." Silence. "Maybe it's just hot."

"Are we getting anywhere?" a student asks to fill the dearth of questions that day. It's unclear to us whether she means with the course, or with the advances of feminism. "Yes, oh yes," says Deslauriers. "This is enormously difficult, progress is slow, but you need hope to move toward a universal feminist theory, a theory adequate to the experience of all women. Feminist theories need to take into account the way different women lead their lives: who will take care of my kids, how will I pay the rent?"

February 17, 1996

It's Body Awareness Week at McGill, which gives a special feminist ambiance to the day.

Deslauriers talks about messages women receive from the world: domestic work is not really work, women are excluded from the world of serious business, the images of the ideal woman in popular culture are for the consumption of men. The class erupts into a discussion about models. Deslauriers allows the class to go on for a while, then says, "What's important is that the ideal doesn't correspond to the average." A female student offers: fashion models have an extra Y chromosome.

We digress for Body Awareness Week. Deslauriers asks: "How many have weighed yourself for non-medical reasons?" About 90 percent raise their hands, but hardly anyone has weighed themselves in the last week or 24 hours. Deslauriers is incredulous. "Things have changed since five years ago."

A student offers: "A lot of us don't have scales." "Oh," Deslauriers says. "Foiled by poverty."

"What if your boyfriend doesn't do housework?" asks a student. "Threaten to leave," says Deslauriers. "Look, you've got to decide how you want to lead your lives." Students say: Simone de Beauvoir was a feminist and had problems with Jean-Paul Sartre, notes the professor. "Putting theory into practice is difficult."

Another woman asks, "How much can we change ourselves?"

Deslauriers, in a characteristic sarcastic manner, says, "Oh, buckets," then gets serious. "Look, start with small things: try having a really big breakfast, a really large meal early in the day. You'd be shocked how much better you feel. One of the first principles is that you need to eat if you're going to do the world's work."

Deslauriers is on a path driven by the students: they want her advice on personal dilemmas. In our interview later, she identifies this as peculiar to female faculty. "Because you are a woman there is a feeling that you will be motherly with students, that you will be interested in their personal difficulties,

Shree Mulay, (BSc, Delhi; MSc '66, PhD '69, McGill)

The appointment of Shree Mulay as Director of the McGill Centre for Research and Teaching on Women (MCRTW) will certainly give higher profile to science within the centre. Indeed, a women in science speaker's series is already planned for Fall '96. An associate professor in the Department of Experimental Medicine and assistant director of the Royal Victoria Hospital's Endocrinology and Clinical Biology Laboratories, Mulay researches the role of hormones during pregnancy as well as reproductive technologies and women's health. She assumed the part-time position June 1. "One of the roles of the centre is to act as a catalyst in putting together multidisciplinary research teams," she says. "I see the centre as a nurturing place which contributes to the development of women on campus." Her objectives include implementing the new undergraduate major in women's studies, lobbying for a PhD, and drawing in groups which do community work.

Courtesy: McGill Reporter

Susan Dwyer (BA, Adelaide; PhD, MIT) Professor of Philosophy

It was an interest in ethics and policy, especially pornography and free speech, which led Sue Dwyer to teach feminist theory at McGill. "As you can imagine, feminist philosophy was not high on the agenda at MIT," says Dwyer, who specialized in the philosophy of language and linguistics. Dwyer does not encounter students seeking nuturing but she is conscious of the obligation to mentor women students to recognize they are "smart, capable and competent, people who can figure out the hard stuff for themselves." Inherent in this obligation is the fact that while 50 percent of philosophy students are female in North America, only 13 percent of their professors are. "There's an unfortunate joke that philosophy is something boys do, or that there is boy's philosophy (logic and language) and that there is girl's philosophy (ethics, aesthetics)." Still, the male colleagues are not the burden. "I have found that my students are more sexist than my colleagues have ever been – male students expect female professors to cave in when they ask for an extension. Other students are likely to call a female prof a bitch if she stops their line of questioning. It's depressing – really depressing since many of the students claim to have feminist consciousness."

you will take the time to help them. I've compared notes with my male colleagues, and they're very struck with the expectations of time and attention that students make on the women professors." She argues that students are much more likely to question the authority of women professors. "Last year the introductory feminism course was taught by a man. He had many, many fewer complaints about grades and requests to change the grades.

"You know, I have a policy on extensions: no extensions without a medical note. I am struck how many students don't seem to believe that I mean that. They'll come and ask if being in the school play warrants an extension, and my male colleagues don't seem to get that."

I ask her how she defines nurturing. "There's nurturing and there's nurturing. The kind of nurturing that I believe wholeheartedly is my job is if students are unsure of their abilities and ask for my assessment. I'm quite happy to encourage students. There's the kind of nurturing that I think is inappropriate for us to do, when they need to talk to someone about their personal problems with their boyfriend, parents or roommates, or tell me that their father is sexist. . . .You can't do that kind of nurturing without abandoning your professional role."

Tuesday, February 27, 1996 – Lesbianism and Feminism

It's the first day back after study week, and the students are looking a little tired. A male student slips into the chair in front of us, and kisses a female student. Deslauriers looks relaxed, and begins with a bit of a comic monologue: "I trust you are all here having eaten a large breakfast and that you will be fatter by the end of term."

It's time for an experiment: "Here's what you have to do," Deslauriers says. "Spend 24 hours not indicating in any way that you are straight; none of your actions or remarks or clothes can indicate that you are straight." We focus on the Adrienne Rich article, "Compulsory Heterosexuality," which argues there are economic and psychological pressures to be straight. For instance, Deslauriers comments: "In order to get a job you have to appear straight and wear lipstick and makeup."

"Everytime I teach this course, people say that men like lesbian sex. But it isn't really lesbian sex they like, it's sex put on for them."

Some students raise the "natural" argument. Is it natural to be gay? Deslauriers is dismissive of the concept. "The bottom line is that we live in a patriarchy and men get to decide what is normal and lesbian sex is not in men's interest," she concludes.

Radical Feminism

Today's class is intense. Deslauriers asks women to believe they've been mistaken for being a doctor at a party. "Your reaction is, 'No, I'm not a doctor.' But if someone says, 'Oh I thought you were a lesbian', think of your reaction, there's a different reaction based on social acceptance. . . ."

We're talking about Marilyn Frye's article "Some reflections on separatism and power," a welcome diversion from the usual Quebec separatist talk. Separatism in this case involves actions against patriarchy: living in a lesbian commune, breaking up with a boyfriend and abortion, "a way of taking control since men use women for their reproductive usages."

"There is the argument from people who oppose abortion on demand that if we permit abortion then we'd start killing sick and old people. Frye argues it's because opponents want these women to care for the old and infirm," Deslauriers says.

There's dead quiet in the class, a hold-your-breath kind of feeling. More dead silence. A male student bravely argues: "It takes two to tango, it takes two to make a baby, why doesn't it take two to make a decision about the baby?" Deslauriers glosses over his argument. Another male student argues that if the woman wants the baby and a man doesn't, then she gets to make the choice, but a woman can say 'I want the baby' and the man doesn't and she sues for alimony.

"Alimony is for marriage," Deslauriers clips. "OK, child support," he acquiesces.

Deslauriers is decidedly condescending to anyone who is counter to women deciding independently about abortion. "I find that intriguing," she says in a droll way. For me, the level of discussion is just not complex enough here: abortion is on the same moral plane as breaking up with your boyfriend. It *is* a second year class, offers a friend.

March 6, 1996

A student flies out of the elevator as I'm walking into class. "Are you the professor?" he asks frantically. "Uh, no," I say. He bounds to the front of the class, hauls himself atop the professor's podium and begins his spiel about his electoral bid for the students' society. At the same time, I see Professor Deslauriers in a long coat, books in hand, ascending the adja-

cent steps, sheltered from this sight. I grimace but savour the anticipation: those delicious few seconds when a collision is imminent but unstoppable. She turns the corner and spots this male student speaking to her class. "I'm almost finished," he says cockily, and turns his back on her. "You *are* finished," she replies. He continues, and she interrupts with her headset, "I'd like you not to vote for him. I'm teaching now." "I'm sorry," he whispers to her. "I'm sorry, too," she replies, meaning of course that she's sorry he's such an idiot.

We talk about Firestone's comments on beauty, which Deslauriers believes are much superior to Naomi Wolfe's "eighties nonsense." "What it is to be a perfectly beautiful woman is something that most women aren't," the professor asserts. "It is held up as an ideal to be pursued." The beauty ideal, we learn, is based on images produced by men for women.

The class moves on to radical American feminist Andrea Dworkin and her theory that all sexual intercourse is a violation of women's boundaries, which Deslauriers compares to the German occupation of France. The class discussion becomes frankly graphic, and one student asks about penetration during lesbian sex. "Is that a violation?"

Deslauriers replies without a quiver, "Dworkin would say lesbians need to ask themselves why they're following a masculine model of sex."

March 13, 1996

"Look, I have this baby boy and I'm telling him 'Gentle, gentle. Boisterous is good, rough is not.' " But the professor concedes to common sense, and real-life reactions to being a parent. It's the first time in class that she has mentioned her family (in the context of gender conditioning). We discuss MacKinnon, and the idea that men keep women from being their equals, the standard is a male standard, and the very fact that women have to achieve the standard is unfair.

That night, I see the movie *The American President*. The lobbyist, played by Annette Bening, is admiring the university transcript of the American president, Michael Douglas while lounging at Camp David. "I've never seen so many A's," she coos, "but a C minus in women's studies?" "Well, it wasn't what I thought it would be about," he quips. She giggles.

This doesn't seem so funny but cheap humour. It also reminds me that a few years ago, career counselors told McGill students not to mention their women's studies minors, that is, if they wanted to get a job.

March 25, 1996 – Marriage

Coming up, Simone de Beauvoir and marriage. "She doesn't fit neatly into any of the categories," the professor begins. "*The Second Sex* is one of my sentimental favourites." We get into the concept of Bad Faith: that women internalize men's expectations, a kind of self acceptance to shield one from the anxiety of transcendence. Deslauriers makes an analogy to a French waiter. "How do French waiters become French waiters? It is an identity and role that is passed on. Women are assigned prescribed roles, and so are more prone to practise bad faith."

It is the day of the Oscars, where the roles for nominated women are nuns, mothers and prostitutes. We talk about the disproportionate number of prostitute roles. "This is men's vision of what women can be: mothers and prostitutes," Deslauriers says. That night, the winners are Susan Sarandon, as a nun, and Mira Sorvino, as a prostitute.

Marriage is considered as an institution, legal, political, social institution – "not intended to serve the happiness of those who live it."

Similarly, she says, if McGill is an institution there is no reason to believe that it will necessarily benefit women. (Indeed, while there have been major gains in senior administration, only 28 percent of tenure-track professors at McGill are women. They are paid lower at every academic level. McGill's Equity Director, Honora Shaughnessy, says women don't negotiate as well as men and there's little public information about salaries.)

Marriage, continues the professor, is also an economic alliance. Occupations open to women are often disagreeable and poorly paid, so marriage is a more advantageous career; besides, the chances of being poor are greater for an unmarried woman.

"It is still relevant that marriage is the most advantageous career for women."

De Beauvoir writes that it's not because of love that most women marry: the husband is a substitute for the beloved man. "Just imagine," Deslauriers continues, "a married woman lying on her bed reading a Harlequin romance. Marriage and romantic love have come apart at the seams.

"What are the moral effects on women? For women, marriage is serious business, if she fails, she fails in her life's work." The class is silent. Maybe marriage is just a mirage for them. "It would be more interesting if you asked questions, at least it would be more interesting for me," the professor says.

Annemarie Adams (BA '81, McGill, PhD, Berkeley) Professor of Architecture

This April found Annemarie Adams juggling the demands of family and career. Pregnant with her first child, Adams also published her first book, *Architecture in the Family Way* (McGill-Queen's Press), and was continuing research into Canadian women architects (with Peta Tancred), Montreal hospitals and war time housing as well as supervising master's theses in the new Domestic Environments option. The first thesis, by Tania Martin, on the convents of the grey nuns, had just received rave reviews.

"I think this program reflects a healthy, growing interest in women's studies. Art and architectural history lag far behind other disciplines in a feminist approach," says Adams, who notes that she is comfortable with being looked to as a feminist role model, but less so with the idea of nuturing. "One of the difficulties of being a fairly young woman faculty member with very high standards is that it's difficult for students to accept the standards because you're supposed to be nice."

March 27, 1996

The air in the classroom is ever stuffy. Bland cream walls. The anonymity of a 100 plus class. From the top back, the professor is a distant figure. She asks us to recall Ginger Rogers giving a friend advice while putting on her stockings: "A girl wasn't born wearing silk stockings."

"The point is you have to do something to make yourself into something recognizably feminine.

"Why do people find female impersonators so troubling?" Deslauriers asks rhetorically. "Straight women feel ridiculed by female impersonators. There is a right to be disturbed: if men can do it, then being a female is a construct. Straight men are disturbed because they are forced to confront the fact that it's the artificiality of the feminine object which makes them into straight men."

April 1, 1996 – The Last Class

Snow and sleet, the kind of April day that skewers Montreal's appeal. The woman student in front of me is eating beefaroni out of Tupperware. Another is occupied with a Coke and chocolate bar. A student announces there's a protest on April 12 about McGill's cutbacks. "It's a rally about the 'dot syndrome,' " he says. "Courses that aren't being offered next year are marked by a dot in the calendar. It's a culture fest," he says. "Bring your pots and pans."

The last article is "Taking Women Students Seriously" and Professor Deslauriers calls for a discussion. "This article is about what it's like to be you, so that shouldn't take a lot of energy." The conversation turns to women's safety. Are women less likely to take intellectual risks because they are afraid of their physical safety? Women students talk about their fear of walking home from the library, and how they don't like to speak up in class because everyone will look at them.

One student ventures that she finds McGill threatening, much more so than the University of Iowa. "I feel safer among the cornfields than I do here." Deslauriers replies, "I personally feel much more afraid south of the border even in the corn fields, but how you feel makes a difference."

Another student ventures: "I don't mean this in a critical way. . . ."

Professor: "Well you can be critical."

"But it's personally against you."

"You can be critical of me, I'll survive."

The student argues that Deslauriers isn't personal and open enough about her views on radical feminism, and that radical feminism is aged. Deslauriers is surprised. "I feel I'm terribly personal, but I do feel just because I'm a radical feminist doesn't mean you have to be one." Indeed, the same theme returns. The students crave a personal connection with the professor. For this reason, Deslauriers has reservations about this article, which started out about feminism in general, and became about her class. In speaking about feminist research on campus, she refers me to many other McGill women professors: Susan Dwyer, Peta Tancred, Annemarie Adams, Sarah Westphal, and some of her students. Indeed, in my eight years of writing about higher education, not one male professor has referred me to others when asked about his research.

Courtesy, McGill Reporter

Deborah Buszard
(BSc, Bath; PhD, London) Dean, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Macdonald Campus

A specialist in horticulture, Buszard is the first woman dean of the Faculty. Last May she spoke to a recognition reception organized at McGill by the Alumnae Society of McGill University. Her two sons, she said, announced they wanted to be engineers like their father. "But why not be a university professor like your mother?" Buszard inquired.

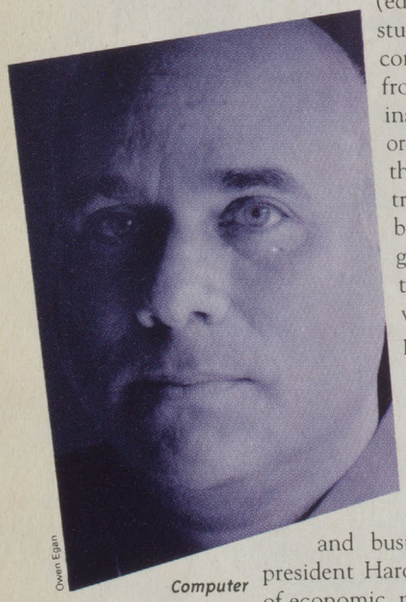
"That's for women," they replied.

by Howard Bokser

Friend or FOE?

Computer technology is changing the face of teaching. Is this a threat to McGill or an opportunity?

Roger Schank looks a bit like a Buddha heavyset, nearly bald, well-tanned. Which is appropriate, since the director of the Institute of Learning Sciences at Northwestern University in Illinois and author of 16 books is somewhat of a guru in the field of computer-based teaching. His institute develops state-of-the-art courseware (educational software) which allows students to "virtually" walk through computer-simulated exercises, choose from various options and receive instant video feedback from experts or teachers. So when Schank predicts that within the next several decades traditional classroom instruction will be replaced by these interactive programs – which are, he claims, a better way to educate – and that "universities for the most part will disappear," traditional providers of knowledge such as McGill should listen.



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Computer education guru Roger Schank

Not all are convinced that campuses are endangered. At a symposium held March 12 at McGill entitled "The University in the 21st Century," seven university and business leaders, including Princeton president Harold Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, talked of economic, political and social concerns for educational institutions but seemed less troubled by technology. Shapiro said that although changes are inevitable, "I see [universities] clearly recognizable in [the year] 2050." A recent task force set up to assess McGill's future considered the likelihood of McGill becoming a "virtual university" – a school without walls and with courses existing only in cyberspace. The report concluded that "it is difficult to imagine how such a model of the University would work across all academic units," leaving this a "dubious proposition."

Nonetheless, Schank insists that McGill's style of lecture-based teaching runs counter to the most effective way of learning: doing, failing, and doing again – precisely what computer simulation provides. When courseware distributed by a few giants such as Harvard and MIT becomes inexpensively available to the public and accessible from home, students, he says, "will vote with their feet." A handful of accredited university courses are already available on the Internet, and Schank thinks it's only a matter of time before "somebody certifies a virtual university," allowing schools-without-walls to grant degrees.

Could it be that classrooms, campuses or universities as we know them will become obsolete within a few decades as students from Montreal to Madagascar read lecture notes, perform exercises, write exams and submit papers while sitting in their living rooms? McGill's Dean of Education Ted Wall, BEd'64, MEd'68, thinks not. Wall maintains that there will always be an educational advantage for face-to-face dialogue between students and students and students and faculty. (The research function of universities – even Schank admits – is irreplaceable.) Yet the dean concurs with Schank that a computer can be a powerful and fun educational tool, allowing students to experiment, fail in a safe environment, receive immediate feedback – all through a graphic, colourful and instant medium. Furthermore, today's youth – tomorrow's university students – are increasingly entrenched in computer culture, making them comfortable using these machines for learning. Wall says, "I see very little threat to the University in the next 10 years, but I think we can miss a tremendous opportunity if we don't look for ways to wisely use technology to complement teaching."

Computers are already transforming the way we're informed. The recent explosion of information technology, including e-mail (electronic mail which can be sent with the push of a computer key), CD-ROMs (computer discs that hold up to 600 million characters of data) and the global computer network known as the Internet, has drastically expanded access to information. Anyone with a personal computer (PC), modem and phone line can instantaneously send, receive or tap into dozens of pages of information – in full colour and sometimes with video and audio effects – from countless sources. Although less than 10 percent of North Americans are currently online (the number grows daily), computer technology already plays a significant role in higher education. Practically all universities and colleges have a presence on the World Wide Web – McGill's Internet site includes campus maps, course information and alumni events. Some schools, such as Dartmouth College in New Hampshire, oblige freshmen to have PCs. Students entering McGill are not expected to be computer literate – but it helps. More and more instructors place lecture notes on the "Net" and communicate with students through e-mail. Every full-time McGill student receives an e-mail address and password, providing access to the Internet (up to eight free hours per month) and to PERUSE, McGill's on-line database of periodical indices and abstracts (an increasing number of complete periodicals are available). For those not *au courant*, the Computing Centre offers seminars and assistance, and students without computers can book time at the computer labs.

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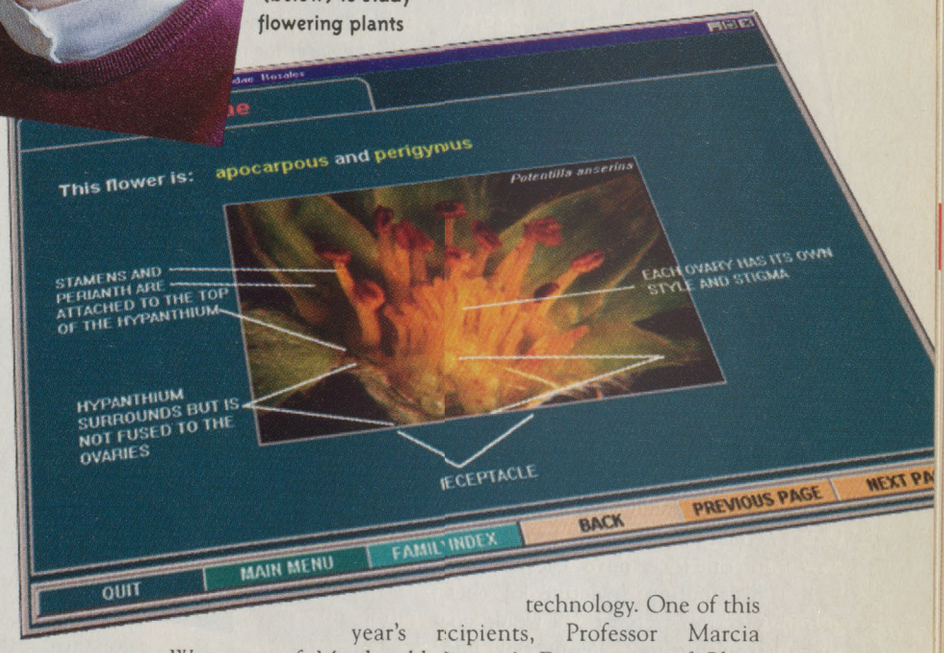

Plant Sciences professor Marcia Waterway (left) is developing an interactive computer program (below) to study flowering plants

McGill is moving ahead on some fronts. The McGill Senate is currently examining the University's hardware infrastructure and seeking ways to ensure students access to advancing computer technology. The Faculty of Medicine, through its Medical Informatics program, is transferring its entire first- and second-year curriculum material onto CD-ROM and the Internet. The Faculty of Education is involved in a national study of "telelearning" – classes taught from a distance via computer – funded by the Canadian government's Centres of Excellence program. Many McGill faculties, schools and departments are setting up so-called "Web sites" – Internet locations which provide access to pages of information. For instance, the School of Architecture's "Building Canada" project features 2,000 slides of Canadian architecture from the archives of professor emeritus John Bland, BArch'33, available to high school, CEGEP and university students. As well, a McGill committee chaired by Wall recently recommended, among other things, that McGill create a technology resource centre for professors and instructorsand that the University officially recognize the time spent by faculty in developing courseware.

Courseware design is thekey component in the effectiveness of the technology. Edvard Barrett, a senior lecturer at MIT, devised a program forhis writing class that permitted students to go back and forth from the seminar table to computers lined around the perimeter. He found "that a fully distributed computing environment can support unlimited communication of insights." But Education professor Cynthia Weston, director of the Centre for University Teaching and Learning (CUTL), warns that blindly implementing technology "could exaggerate existing pedagogical flaws. The technology is not a solution but a tool." She reports that McGill supports faculty looking for creative methods to improve teaching. A 1993 $2 million gift by the Royal Bank of Canada to The McGill Twenty-First Century Fund has allowed the CUTL to give $100,000 annually to selected McGill professors and graduate students searching for innovative teaching methods, often involving technology. One of this year's recipients, Professor Marcia Waterway of Macdonald Campus's Department of Plant Science, is applying modern techniques to something down to earth: she is developing an interactive computer program with colour images stored on CD-ROM to allow students to study and identify 60 families of flowering plants. "The technology is not a substitute for teachers or labs," she says, "but it allows me to spend less class time on details and more on explaining important concepts. I wish I had this years ago."

Professor Bruce Pennycook, coordinator of Computer Applications and director of Graduate Studies in the Faculty of Music, urges McGill to "give proper credit to professors and instructors designing computer-based learning tools." Pennycook, like Schank, anticipates the computer's increased

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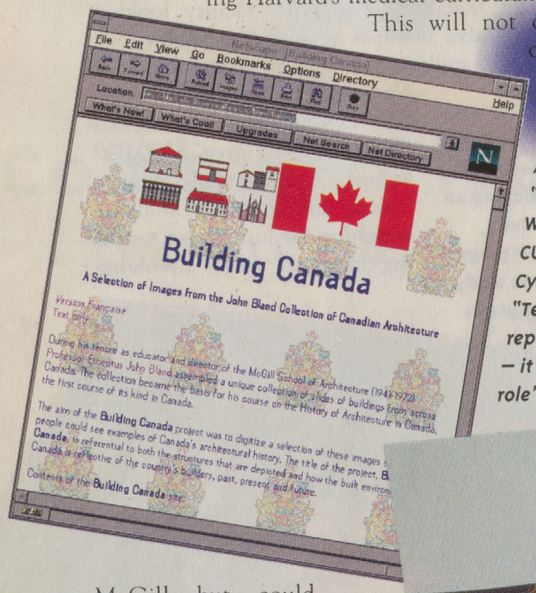
use in teaching: schools and students will soon be purchasing computer-based course material in addition to – or instead of – text books and class notes. If this courseware is not readily available from McGill, Pennycook warns, "We'll be teaching Harvard's medical curriculum in the future." This will not only be a lost opportunity for McGill but could imperil faculty positions. Worse, why go to McGill at all if students can purchase Harvard's courseware directly from home? Even though McGill offers quality education inexpensively, that advantage could be lost in the future since no one is certain of the price and distribution structure of these electronic courses. "I would go a step further," Pennycook adds. "Our students could soon be out buying Microsoft degrees." Microsoft? "The notion of vast markets, such as Southeast Asia, for telelearning are very well known to people like Bill Gates. His company can go out and hire skilled instructors, have them build multimedia instructional Net-deliverable tools, get them certified, and sell degrees over the network."



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left: The School of Architecture's "Building Canada" Web site; below: CUTL director Cynthia Weston: "Technology never replaces the teacher – it only changes the role"

Can students, however, receive as good an education from afar as from the classroom? Distance education, formerly known as "correspondence courses," has had great success abroad – the Open University in the U.K. boasts 200,000 students. Quicker access through computer is creating new demand for such North American schools as Athabasca University in Alberta – but lack of personal interaction continues to be their biggest drawback. McGill Education professor Cheryl Amundsen of the CUTL is studying the effectiveness of distance education's use of computer-designed courses. In her initial studies of the "technology-pedagogy gap" she's found that even when professors designed courseware with the intent of stimulating higher-level discussions and learning, students' e-mail questions remained at a basic level, concerned with facts and figures rather than deeper probes. Wall doesn't foresee a dramatic increase for McGill in this area – there are about 700 students registered in McGill's distance education program, which offers graduate-level courses in Occupational Health and courses for teachers through the Faculty of Education. Weston says, "McGill has tended to be a more traditional campus institution but must face the current reality – students may prefer to learn [from home]." Some students, at least, still favour class- room learning. Arts student Christie Smith says, "I'd never want to just have classes through computer. It's too impersonal. School's not just about books but about meeting others."

Regardless of whether students learn from within the classroom or without, the advance of educational technology is inevitable – and costly. Even though there are concerns that McGill will be tempted to cut teachers and replace them with cheaper computer-taught courses – faculty salaries are roughly 40 to 50 percent of McGill 's operating budget – this would be short-sighted, says Wall. Weston says, "There was the same concern in the sixties when programmed instruction [students working on their own] was popular. But technology never replaces the teacher – it only changes the role. You become a facilitator. It doesn't change the need to do the instructional planning." For monetary help, schools will continue look to corporations and government.

Even computer education guru Schank doesn't envision traditional teachers being replaced by PCs immediately. "Rather," he says, "I hope that in 10 years a lot of what I'm saying" – that lecturers will be phased out by computer courseware – "will be out there." Regardless, Pennycook sees computer-enhanced teaching as a "massive opportunity" for McGill in the development and marketing of courseware. "Who has content for the courses?" he asks. "Music, chemistry, whatever. We're the experts."

BETWEEN

Mind & SOUL

After seven decades of studying 1.5 kilos of pinky-grey matter, brain researcher Herbert Jasper finally earns recognition. The paradox: the brain is not complicated enough to understand itself

by André Picard

Both sides of my family were from pioneer stock, they had restless genes that made them do strange and adventurous things," Herbert Jasper, MD'43, DSc'71, says, a gleeful smile forming on the face of the raconteur. "My mother's side were Huguenots who fled to Switzerland, then America. . . . On my father's side. . . they weren't content with being famous in the Revolutionary War, so they headed off in a covered wagon to Oregon."

Those "restless genes" go a long way toward explaining why, after 70 years of pioneering research on the brain, the legendary scientist is still blazing new trails. "I've always thought that one should understand one's genes to understand one's behaviour, and mine have disturbed me a lot over the years," he says with a self-deprecating laugh.

Just months before his 90th birthday, Dr. Jasper picked up his most prestigious honour, the Albert Einstein World Award of Science, presented by the World Cultural Council, which includes 25 Nobel laureates, for scientific research beneficial to the well-being of humanity.

In presenting the award in Mexico City, Council president Dr. José Rafaël Estrada said, "Dr. Jasper's entire research career has been characterized by a succession of innovative discoveries which have served to start unveiling the mysteries of the brain. He is rightfully recognized as one of the founders of modern neuroscience."

His pioneering studies on the electrophysiology of the brain were the basis of the development of electroencephalograms (EEGs), which are indispensable to the diagnosis and treatment of neurological disorders. Using EEGs, Dr. Jasper went on to do ground-breaking research on how the brain controls the body's motor functions, mapping the brain's functions by firing individual nerve cells, and on the surgical treatment of patients with Parkinson's disease. He then moved on to examine the chemistry of the brain, discovering the importance of amino acids and devising techniques to study the brain's neurotransmitters that have allowed the development of countless drugs and treatments for neurological disorders. And, since his retirement in 1975, the scientist has undertaken his greatest challenge yet, trying to determine the links between the brain and the consciousness, between the brain, mind and soul.

Born in La Grande, Oregon, in 1906, Dr. Jasper was profoundly influenced not only by his family's wandering spirit, but by its deep spirituality. The son of a Presbyterian minister living in what was then a remote American Indian territory, much of his childhood was spent in his father's library. "My father was a scholar, someone whose hobby was advanced calculus. He began discussing notions of the mind and the soul with me at age six. That was really the basis of my decision, at age 18, to dedicate my life to brain research," he says.

His search for answers began in 1923, when as a young man he began studies in philosophy in Oregon, a discipline he found "fascinating but too wordy," so he moved on to "something more concrete," earning a master's degree in psychology at the University of Oregon and a PhD at the University of Iowa. His restless genes took him to the Sorbonne in Paris, where he earned another doctorate in physiology, and first discovered the notion of recording the electrical activity of the brain by placing electrodes upon the scalp. In Paris, he also became fluent in the language of his mother's ancestors, French. In 1933, he returned to the United States to establish a research laboratory at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island.

It was there, five years later, that Dr. Jasper demonstrated the benefits of using EEGs for epilepsy study to Dr. Wilder Penfield, founder of the Montreal Neurological Institute (MNI). The latter described the former as a "rare bird a rara avis. . . a young man driven by one unquenchable idea after another." Dr. Jasper would commute from Providence to Montreal, bringing epileptic patients for surgery in exchange for doing EEG tests on Dr. Penfield's patients. It was the beginning of a collaboration that would last more than three decades, and land the pair in the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame.

Thanks to Rockefeller grants, an extension was built to the Neuro to house Dr. Jasper's EEG laboratories and he moved to Montreal to stay. The city had other attractions. Dr. Penfield shared his passion for skiing and sailing, and there was a nurse at the Institute who played a mean game of tennis. Margaret Goldie soon became Dr. Jasper's wife and mother of their two children. (She died in 1982. Dr. Jasper is now married to Mary Lou McDougall, the administrative assistant responsible for convocations at McGill.)

During the Second World War, Dr. Jasper decided a medical degree would be helpful in his work. He graduated from McGill Medical School in 1943, became a Canadian citizen, joined the Canadian army and developed sea sickness pills for sailors, anti-blackout suits for pilots and various treatments for nerve and head injuries of soldiers during the invasion of Normandy.

After the war, there was an influx of patients and post-doctoral students because the MNI had become world renowned for its treatment of patients with nervous and mental diseases, notably epileptics, thousands of whom were cured of their disabling seizures. Together Drs. Jasper and Penfield wrote *Epilepsy and the Functional Anatomy of the Human Brain*, which remains the bible of epilepsy treatment more than 40 years after it was first published.

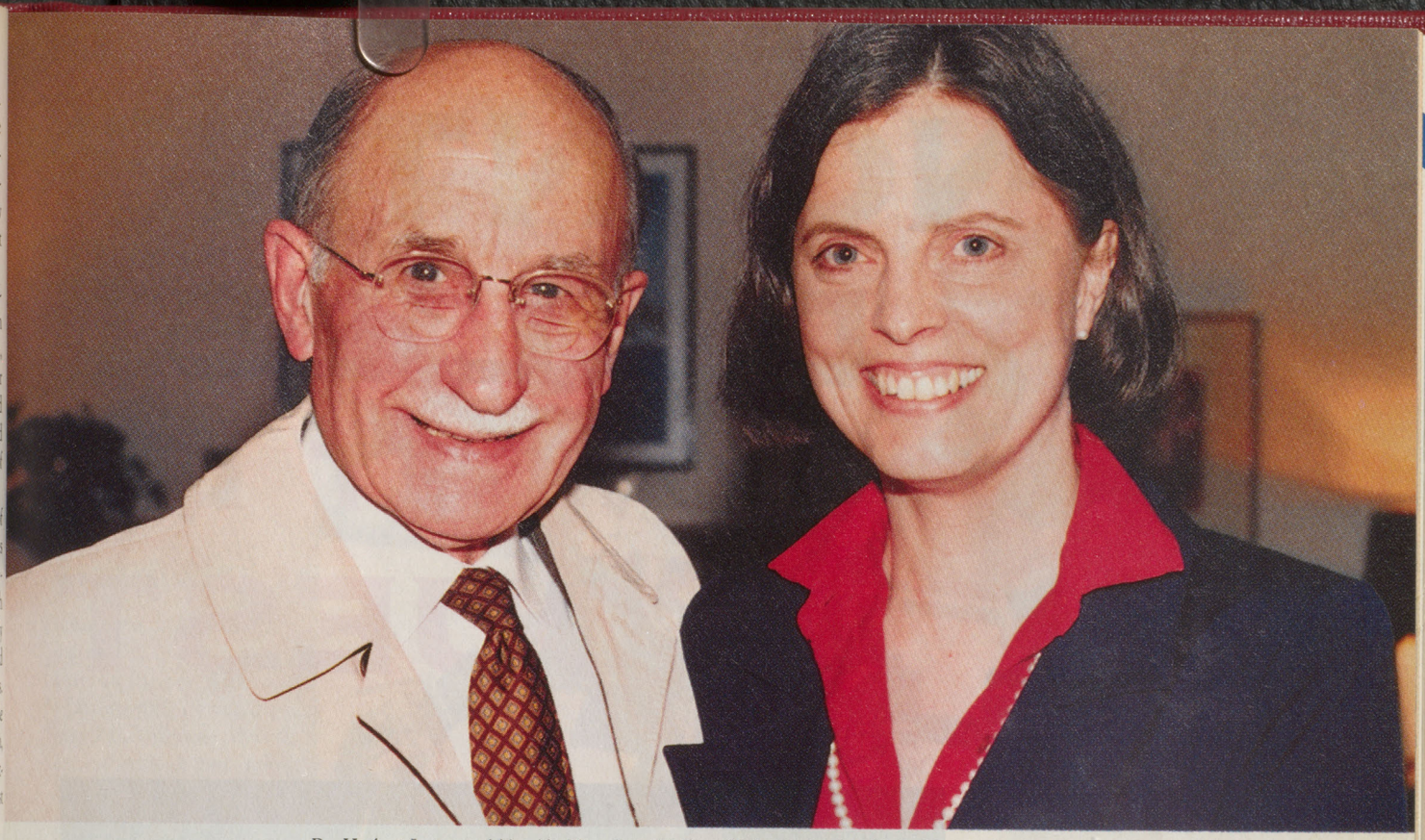
While the two men were close, they were also competitive, and Dr. Jasper is only now receiving the recognition that went to Dr. Penfield long ago. "When Penfield was writing, he ignored my research on the mechanisms of the brain, and I took that as an insult," Dr. Jasper says without a hint of rancour. Still, he loved Dr. Penfield like a brother, and says he should be credited with creating one of the world's great research institutes. "Dr. Penfield could not have achieved what he did alone," says Dr. Dick Masland, MA'65, PhD'68, a past director of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Blindness, one of the prestigious National Institutes of Health (NIH) in the United States. Masland was one of the first students to train in Jasper's EEG laboratory in 1938. "It was a beautifully organized laboratory. We used his lab as a model for the ones we set up at the NIH," he says.

The fellows who did research in Jasper's labs read like a who's who of the neurological world. They include Masland and Donald Tower, both former directors of the U.S. National Institutes of Health, and David Hubel, BSc'47, MD'51, DSc'78, whose early research at the Neuro culminated in a 1981 Nobel Prize for his explanation of how the brain interprets messages from the eyes.

In 1965, the always restless Dr. Jasper moved from McGill to the Université de Montréal, where he established the Centre de recherche en sciences neurologiques (CRSN). In the era when Quebec's separatist movement had its violent beginnings, he decided the time was ripe to "build a research group that would make French people proud of themselves

Union of EQUALS

While some people raised their eyebrows at her marriage to a man half a century older, Mary Lou (McDougall) Jasper says her husband's curiosity keeps him young. "If there's one thing that's consistent about him, it's his inconsistency. It's very invigorating," May Lou Jasper says. The couple also felt they entered the marriage as equals and are to this day. "Before the wedding, we joked that it was a union of equals because we each had a handicap: he had age, and I had multiple sclerosis," she says with a laugh. "I guess between us, we make a whole." Because she works full-time at McGill, he does the shopping and much of the cooking. "But when we visit museums – which we love to do – we take turns in the wheelchair. It gives people quite a surprise when he says, 'OK, get out, it's your turn to push.' "



Dr. Herbert Jasper and his wife, Mary-Lou (McDougall) Jasper, live happily in Westmount

and help defuse anti-English feelings." He also felt that research conditions at the MNI were becoming intolerable after the retirement of Penfield. It was the time of the notion that scientists could use their knowledge of the brain to make the world a better place. This had been Dr. Jasper's constant belief since his student days, but it was really fired up at the International Brain Research Institute in Moscow a few years prior to establishing the CRSN. "I realized at the time that the difference between us and the Russians was mental attitude. Our brains are the same, so why should we be at each other's throats? If we could understand the brain, we could understand these antagonisms."

After a decade at the CRSN, Dr. Jasper retired as professor emeritus. Yet he continues to add to his body of more than 350 scientific papers, remains in demand as a guest lecturer, attends weekly seminars, and even does occasional rounds at the Université de Montréal and McGill, where he strikes fear into the hearts of medical students and residents with his probing questions. "I never really left the Neurological Institute," he says. "I've just wandered off to many other places."

For the past 20 years, he has worked tirelessly on elaborating theories about the brain-mind link. His most detailed paper on the issue will be published this year in *History of Neuroscience in Autobiography*. Next year, Dr. Jasper will delve further into the issue in his memoirs, *Highlights of 70 Years of Brain Research*.

To oversimplify, the theory he is espousing is: While there is one system that controls the functioning of the brain, there is a parallel set of neurons that controls the consciousness, and tells the brain how to behave. Descartes called this moral fulcrum the soul, and theorized that it was in the centre of the brain, in what scientists now know is the pineal gland. Dr. Jasper says the notion that the soul is a "spot" is passé, but there is growing evidence that "there is a system of nerve cells and fibres that controls the mechanism of the brain related to consciousness."

Dr. Jasper believes that it is in the brain that scientists will discover some of the causes of "malignant mental attitudes," and perhaps the cures. "For example, why is there ethnic cleansing, what allows human beings to carry out such atrocities? If brain research can make real progress on finding the source of these malignant mental attitudes, then we can start to understand. I know it's naive to think that we can do it, but we have to try."

The quest to understand the brain-mind link is one that Dr. Jasper knows he will not achieve in his lifetime. But when he thinks back to 70 years ago when he started doing research, no one could have imagined revolutionary methods like magnetic resonance imaging for diagnosis of diseases of the brain. "Progress has been far greater in the past 20 years than in the 50 years previous. And it will be greater still in the next decade. So I am sure this problem will be solved in the next 10 years," he says wistfully.

Yet, after seven decades of studying the 1.5 kilos of pinky-grey mass that is the brain, Dr. Jasper understands better than anyone the fundamental paradox in his life's work. "All my life I have been struggling to find out how the brain works, to understand the relation between the brain and the mind. But I realize that the brain is not complicated enough to understand itself. No matter how hard we try, we can understand partialy, but I hope we have shown that partially is well worthwhile," Dr. Jasper says philosophically. But, after pausing a second, his restless genes kick in, and he adds, "Not money, not power, but understanding and affection is the greatest, most exciting thing I've earned in my life. It's made the journey most interesting."

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RENCONTRE DE L'EST ET DE L'OUEST

par Eric Devlin

Comment trois jouers de hockey ont passé une veille du jour de l'An improbable à Lévis

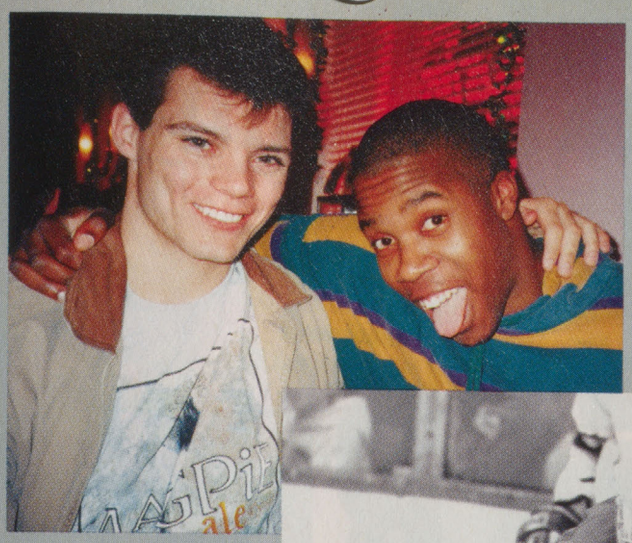
Trois hockeyeurs: Derek Prohar, Cameron Tedford et Jarrod Daniel

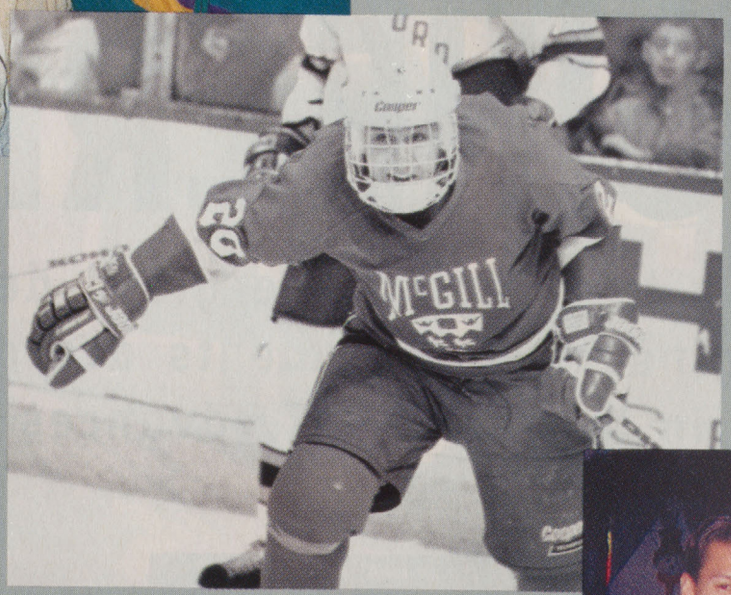
A McGill, on prend le hockey au sérieux. Pour pratiquer leur sport préféré tout en se pliant aux exigences de leurs études, les étudiants doivent sacrifier presque tout leurs autre loisirs. «Nous nous entraînons tous les jours et, les fins de semaine, nous jouons contre les *clubs* des autres universités du Québec et de l'Ontario», explique Nicolas Cantin, originaire de Québec et étudiant en psychologie.

Si les classes font relâche pendant les vacances de Noël, il n'en va pas de même pour le hockey. Cet hiver, à la période des fêtes, avait lieu un tournoi. Même s'ils ont pu se rendre auprès de leur famille pour Noël, des joueurs comme Cameron Tedford, Jarrod Daniel et Derek Prohar, originaires de Calgary, Edmonton et Avonlea (Saskatchewan) respectivement, ont dû rentrer à Montréal, dès le lendemain, pour le tournoi. Pas question, évidemment, de regagner encore une fois les Prairies pour la nouvelle année: pour trois jours, le coût aurait été inabordable.

Nicolas Cantin et son colocataire Stéphane Angers, étudiant en biochimie, ont donc eu l'heureuse idée d'inviter leurs coéquipiers anglophones chez eux, à Québec, pour y fêter l'arrivée de 1996. Choc linguistique pour ces trois gars de l'Ouest? «Pas vraiment», affirme Cameron Tedford. «Les gens étaient tellement gentils – et tous ont fait l'effort de nous parler en anglais pour nous mettre à l'aise».

Terry Bangen, l'instructeur des *Redmen* de McGill, ne s'e-





tonne pas de la cordialité naturelle qui lie spontanément ses joueurs. «Le climat parmi nos jeunes d'origines diverses est tout à fait salubre», dit il. «Ils se sont d'accord pour travailler ensemble. De plus, de nombreux joueurs anglophones s'efforcent de parler en français».

Le programme touristique mis au point par Nicolas et Stéphane pour leurs invités n'avait rien de classique: pas de visite guidée du Vieux Québec ni non plus de promenade en traîneau; pas d'evocation de la bataille des Plaines d'Abraham. La tournée commence dans un bar de Lévis. «Même si j'habite Québec», explique Nicolas Cantin, «c'est à Lévis que j'ai fait mes études collégiales. Tous mes amis y sont et je sais où les trouver». Comme entrée en matière pour un bain de français, on ne pouvait guère trouver mieux. Mais pour ces jeunes, le contact, que certains imagineraient brutal, s'est réalisé en douceur. «Dans une grande ville, comme Montréal, personne ne semble se connaître et tout le monde est en quelque sort étranger: quand tu sors, c'est plutôt froid. Dans une plus petite ville, en revanche, on te remarque immédiatement et le contact est plus facile à établir», constate Derek Prohar.

Nicolas Cantin propose une autre explication de l'adaptation rapide de ses amis anglophones. «Québec a beau être une ville unilingue francophone, nous sommes constamment exposés à l'anglais – que ce soit par la télé, la musique ou les livres à l'université. Sans devenir bilingue, on finit quand même par connaître un peu l'autre langue. Ce n'est pas le cas des Canadiens de l'Ouest: pour eux, le français est vraiment une langue étrangère. Lorsqu'un Québécois francophone se rend dans l'Ouest, il lui est donc plus difficile de trouver quelqu'un pour baragouiner quelques mots en français».

Nos jeunes de l'Ouest ont-ils aimé Québec? Cameron Tedford connaissait la ville pour l'avoir visité, plus jeune, avec ses parents. Pour ses deux copains, ce fut une découverte. Une seule déception : «On n'a pas vu le Bonhomme Carnaval», de s'exclamer Derek Prohar!

À part ce court séjour à Québec, nos trois amis ont eu très peu de temps à consacrer à l'apprentissage d'une autre langue. D'ailleurs, ils se sont inscrits à McGill d'abord et avant tout pour vivre dans une métropole. «Lorsque tu veux étudier dans une grande ville au Canada, tu n'as pas grand choix; il y a Vancouver mais, pour un gars de l'Ouest, ce n'est pas nouveau; puis il y a Toronto et Montréal. Alors tu viens vers l'Est pour vivre la différence», explique Derek Prohar, canditat au baccalauréat en sciences politiques.

Un étudiant jouant au hockey doit accepter une vie de Spartiate. Du lundi au jeudi, il pratique notre sport national d'une heure et demi à deux heures par jour. Les fins de semaine, il dispute deux matchs contre d'autres universités, parfois aussi loin qu'à Toronto. Il n'y a que trois universités québécoises possédant une équipe de hockey: outre McGill il y a Concordia ainsi que l'Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières, et les trois équipes sont intégrées à la ligue ontarienne. Les *Redmen* ont terminé la saison '95-'96 avec une fiche de quinze victoires, neuf défaites et deux matchs nuls.

En haut: Derek Prohar et le frère de Nicholas Cantin; centre: Stéphane Angers, aile; à droite: Les membres de l'équipe célèbrent le Nouvel An à Lévis. À droite: Jarrod Daniel, Derek Prohar, Cameron Tedford et Nicholas Cantin (assis)

Avec un emploi du temps aussi serré, il est pratiquement impossible pour un hockeyeur de s'inscrire à plus de quatre cours par session. Et il n'y a pas de passe-droit pour les étudiants portant haut l'étendard de McGill. «Nous ne sommes pas aux États-Unis où les athlètes universitaires sont traités aux petits oignons», commente Cameron Tedford, étudiant en sciences anatomiques et donc le frère Jordy (B.A.1993) a également joué pour les *Redmen*. «Ici le professeur ne te fera pas de cadeau parce que tu joues pour l'équipe de McGill; nos travaux doivent être remis en même temps que ceux des autres étudiants».

Three Interesting Things ABOUT ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Come along to a highly energized department, where engineers and students are developing the latest in technological advances

by Patrick McDonagh

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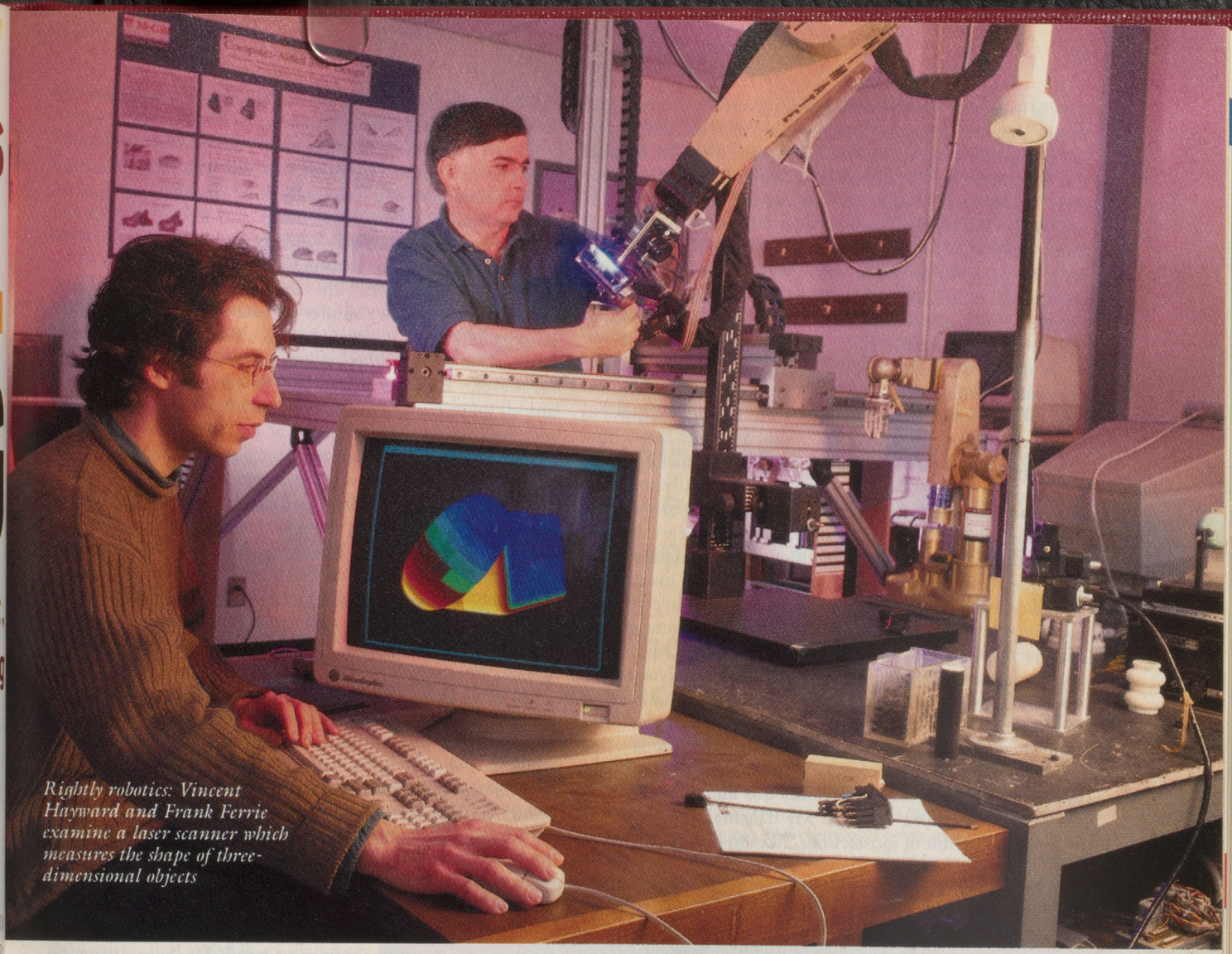
"Poets are the unacknowledged legislators of the World," declared Percy Shelley in 1821; electrical engineers have reason to perceive themselves in much the same way in 1996. Mechanical engineers – well, they make engines; civil engineers build bridges; but electrical engineers? How, one might ask (as I once did, in my ignorance), are they different from electricians? For some years now, I have worked as a technical writing instructor for engineers. When I was asked to venture into McGill's Department of Electrical Engineering to find "three interesting things" I did not feel entirely incapable. I have a general idea that electrical engineers are to the Information Superhighway and the robotics revolution what civil engineers are to the Trans-Canada. I can cite technical terms. Still, I'm a bluffer in a field that is inhospitable to the dilettante. My task: find out what electrical engineering is, and report back to headquarters.

The Department of Electrical Engineering, with its 30 full-time professors, occupies the upper floors of the McConnell Building, at the edge of the McGill campus at Milton and University. Department chair Nick Rumin, BEng'57, MSc'61, PhD'66, points out that the Gourman Report says McGill has the sixth best undergraduate program in North America, after MIT, Stanford, Berkeley, Toronto and Illinois. First-year enrolment is limited to 150 students with an 80 percent average entrance mark (although the 1996 first-year class ballooned to 220 students, when more than expected accepted McGill). Rumin recites a list of faculty who have made significant contributions to the field; for instance, Dr. George Zames, BEng'54, whose development of the "h-infinity" theory resulted in the redesigning of automobile suspensions and smoother rides for commuters everywhere.

What is the essence of the department? The student cafeteria seems a good place to begin my quest for enlightenment. And while it would be wrong (and not funny) to say that the atmosphere is "electric," there is something distinct about electrical engineering students. For one thing, there is a preponderance of men; while women are registering in electrical engineering programs (and engineering in general) at greater numbers than before, only 102 of the 680 undergraduates, and 35 of 230 graduate students, are women; there is one full-time female faculty member. Otherwise, they are distinguished by a certain haggard yet cocky attitude: "haggard" because the course is notoriously rigorous, "cocky" because not only are most of these students guaranteed to find work in their field upon graduating, they know they are on the cutting edge, devising the infrastructure of the much-anticipated global village.

I approach a group of undergrads bantering over coffee and course notes. "Hey – what's interesting about electrical engineering?" I ask. "Robotics," someone responds. So off I go to the Centre for Intelligent Machines (CIM), pronounced "Sim." There are several CIM labs where 18 faculty members investigate intelligent machine technology, or robotics. Like



Rightly robotics: Vincent Hayward and Frank Ferrie examine a laser scanner which measures the shape of three-dimensional objects

me, you probably have two conceptions of a robot. There is the mechanical arm that swings above factory assembly lines where workers once stood, performing various specifically defined tasks – welding, painting, and the like; but then there are also the semi-human robots, the R2D2s and C3POs, of science fiction. For a definition, then, let's turn to Professor Frank Ferrie, BEng'78, MEng'80, PhD'86. "An intelligent machine," explains Ferrie, a natural teacher, "has at least three main characteristics: it must have some sort of perceptual system to sense its environment; it must have a control system enabling it to interact with this environment; and then, of course, there is the body of the robot itself, as a mechanical entity. These machines require massive amounts of data and computation, and very sophisticated control systems."

The affable and quietly rumpled Ferrie is developing a system which would enable a robot to visualize its environment in three dimensions and to respond to what it sees. "Say a robot has to go into a room and pick up canisters that have been dropped. It has to navigate about the room, identify the objects to be picked up, form a plan to grasp the objects, and place them wherever they have to be placed. We're looking at the fundamental problem of how to create a virtual world out of reality." Intelligent machines necessarily perceive our world digitally, or, in trendier terms, "virtually" – as a collec-

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tion of numbers which must be interpreted to reconstruct reality that the computer programming systems can understand. And the more things there are to see, the more difficult this task becomes. "Automation came to the factory floor first," Ferrie says, "because you can control the environment to simplify the interpretation of data. We don't have R2D2 running through the woods because of the range of stimuli; walking through the woods, you experience constantly varying signals, extremely rich in information. We don't completely understand yet the processing that would be needed to interpret all that data."

To demonstrate this point, Ferrie leads me on his "25 1/2 cent tour" through the Artificial Perception Lab, where his research team is developing strategies to enable machines to see objects. In the middle of the room, a robotic arm with a camera/laser apparatus is scanning a football helmet, the laser passing a bar of light over the helmet. The light beam bends with the curvature of the object, and the camera reads this bend and sends data to the computer, which then calculates the object's shape, a three-dimensional image appearing on the screen before me. The lab funding is from the Institute for Robotics and Intelligent Systems, the federally funded Centre for Excellence, as well as the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC), FCAR and industry. Ferrie's industry contacts – such as Ottawa's Hymarc Ltd. – are suitably impressed by the potential for this technology in such fields as computer-aided design and manufacturing (known as CAD/CAM by insiders). Ferrie notes, though, that the appeal of this technology is broader than its immediate applications. "Kids today find a lot of this stuff natural and ask really good questions about it. My daughter," he continues with at least a hint of satisfaction, "likes to play and do cooking in the morning, and then she likes to go downstairs and experiment with a couple of motors."

Down the hallway from Ferrie is Vincent Hayward: at 41, he's a 10-year veteran of the department who radiates enthusiasm for his work and looks something like William Gibson, the Vancouver writer who coined the term "cyberspace." While Ferrie is dealing with perception, Hayward is developing control systems for robotic limbs. The robotic arm in his lab features "actuators," the devices that move the arm, arranged in a manner similar to human musculature. This strategy is known in engineering circles as "redundancy," because not all actuators are strictly necessary for each task. "However," Hayward points out, "redundancy is beneficial: animal joints have lots of muscle – nature has provided more muscles than are really needed at first sight." Most robotic arms are similar to exoskeletons (such as insect shells) in their structure, but Hayward envisages complex arms modeled on our own endoskeletal structures: that is, with lots of muscle, or actuators, surrounding the passive structural material (the bone, or the steel arm). This complex arrangement requires significantly more sophisticated control systems, but should make robotic arms stronger, more stable, and more flexible, allowing them to carry out complex operations that are presently beyond them – operations which simulate the human arm itself.

When I leave Hayward's office I wander the floor, gazing through the plate glass windows of different labs. CIM begs for attention; the bustling group of professors and students associated with it assure me that much more is happening behind other doors, but my mission is clear: find three interesting things. So, let's move on to number two: the Photonics Project.

What is photonics? Intelligent machines may be easier to grasp initially, largely because we all have had some contact with some of the ideas dominant in the field of research. But photonics. . . what springs to mind? Mr. Sulu, sitting on the bridge of the *Enterprise*, firing photon torpedoes? Well, the *Star Trek* photon torpedo is indeed an imaginary photonics application, but we can find examples in our contemporary environment, too. Frank Tooley and David Plant are my guides through this new world of pulsing lasers. Plant, a 34-year-old Vancouver native, is the McGill veteran of the two, having arrived here in 1993; Tooley, 36, emigrated last year from Edinburgh to work with Plant and to assume the Photonics Chair recently established at McGill by Nortel, Bell Northern Research and NSERC. The two are engaging hosts, their easy repartee identifying them as a team, and even the most hardened technophobes would quickly succumb to their enthusiasm. According to Tooley and Plant, a photonic device can be "any device that uses light – so the light bulb itself is a photonic device." While this revelation hardly

Clean and Mean: Frank Tooley and David Plant check out equipment in the ultra-clean room necessary for high precision work in photonics

narrows the field, it does make photonics less difficult to imagine. More specifically, though, Plant defines photonics as "the generation, transmission, modulation and detection of light. The compact disk, for instance, is a commercial photonic system that includes all aspects: generating light, reading data, detecting light, turning it into information, playing the Rolling Stones. . . ." Okay, I think to myself – now we're getting somewhere.

McGill researchers are working on a particularly new and promising photonics application: they are trying to incorporate free-space optical communication in a computer by developing an optical backplane. Conventional backplanes, the panels within a computer, are connected by wires, which can carry a limited amount of information. Tooley and Plant are developing the technology to generate, transmit and receive laser pulses within the confined spaces of a computer – thousands of lasers would be shooting information through the space within the computer body, looking, if our eyes were sharp enough, like an astonishingly vigorous electrical storm in miniature. These pulses would carry digital information in the same way that wires carry electronic pulses, but at much greater rates. And because optic systems require less energy than wires, it is possible to send more data without making the technology more expensive to run. "With optics," says Tooley, "we have improved connectivity at a reduced energy cost, allowing the computer to process much more information than with conventional wiring."

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The photonics lab, which cost $2.5 million, is a "class 10,000 clean room," with less than 10,000 parts per million by volume of dust on the massive air-cushioned optical tables used in the lab. This level of cleanliness is critical for the high-precision work being carried out, so scientists (and tourists) must don special shoe-covers to keep from tracking in extra dirt; however, while the room is largely dust-free, the tables are cluttered with optical components, lasers and receivers that form the raw material of the optical backplane. The photonics lab is a new venture for electrical engineering, one in which the department and its industry and government partners have invested heavily because of its exciting potential.

However, not all photonics research is being carried out in the photonics lab. A floor below is "interesting thing number three," the Microelectronic and Computer Systems (MACS) Lab, where Ted Szymanski is devising new computer architectures that will take advantage of the optical backplane. A youthful-looking 39, Szymanski wouldn't seem out of place playing beach volleyball, although he expresses a preference for winter sports. And, of course, for computer systems. "Each integrated chip in a computer can generate thousands of laser beams, each beam carrying digital information," he explains. "While most computers run in the range of kilobits (1,000 bits) or megabits (six zeros) per second, the optical backplane has the potential to carry gigabits (nine zeros) or even terabits (12 zeros!) per second. This packaging of data greatly increases the communication bandwidth, meaning that more information can be carried." As anyone who has tried the Web can attest, one cannot actually "surf" it – there are frequent stops and starts on the information highway, mainly because the present infrastructure cannot move data quickly enough. But under the new B-ISDN (Broadband Integrated Services Digital Network) standards established by a consortium of the major players in the telecommunications industry and scheduled to be implemented gradually over the next 20 years, each phone line will be capable of carrying 155 megabits, up from the current 64 kilobits. With this much space to swoosh along information, Szymanski says that "it's not even clear what your phone will look like, there will be so many new services coming through." For instance, the phone could be conflated with the television, giving a "video-phone"; you could also have home access to video catalogues so you don't have to go out to rent movies (only to find that the one you want is out), and instant home shopping – in addition to high-definition television. But first, the architectures – that is, the structure of circuits and backplanes in computer processing units – must be developed to handle this mass of data.

While Szymanski works on the architecture problem, Gordon Roberts, his partner in the MACS lab, is carrying out innovative work of his own with mixed-signal integrated circuits (ICs) or chips, the point where analog-to-digital conversion occurs. Roberts, 37, is energetic and animated – perhaps even boisterous – when discussing the finer points of IC technology. "In any system," he says by way of introduction, "the goal is to get the analog signal, such as sound waves, into digital form (pulses that the computer can understand) as soon as possible. The analog component is the bottleneck." The mixed signal chip is that which takes the analog signal and converts it. However, one problem with these chips is that both analog and digital portions must be testable to see if they work. If the chip is developed first, and tests created subsequently, the lag between chip and test development can be years; in fact, the cost of testing is about one-half of the production cost. However, by building the tests into the chip so that it tests itself, manufacturers can halve their production costs. "Making the test part of the design of the chip just makes more sense – and besides, it's more fun that way," says Roberts. He is gaining recognition for his particular approach to this problem. "American companies, such as AT&T,

Their domain: Optical architecture expert Ted Szymanski (top) and micro-chip designer Gord Roberts observe an oscilloscope trace of a mixed analog-digital circuit. Information processing is now largely the domain of electrical engineers who are taught the skills to build these chips

Analog Devices and Crystal Semiconductors, are extremely responsive," he observes. "I have good relations with Canadians – Mitel Semiconductors, Nortel and PMC-Sierra, for example – but generally it's a different ball game. Canadians may miss a very important opportunity, because they'll only look at what you're doing if the Americans say it's good. It's that classic problem."

The intense competitiveness of the computer and telecommunications industries is putting pressure on profit margins

This "classic problem" concerns Maier Blostein, BEng'54, MEng'59, senior faculty member and president of the Canadian Institute of Telecommunications Research (CITR). Blostein, a Montrealer, considers it his calling to get university researchers in engineering to think bigger, and to create future economic value for Canadian industry. "There is no activity today more important than this – the whole business of restructuring the economy, of joblessness and everything associated with it, is due to the information revolution. It is here, it's new, and it's having huge consequences. We have no choice. We must learn to enter the information age properly." And the role of the electrical engineer in this new economy, this new culture? "We have to be zealous. We have to appreciate the full dimensions of this revolution. Canada is already losing its competitive edge. We must learn how to make our investments – in personal communication systems or air traffic control, for example – in such a way that we foster Canadian companies that create economic value. If we can build for ourselves, then we can sell to others. We've done it before, with Northern Telecom, which provided Canadian researchers with the experience to form spin-off companies like Mitel. We have new opportunities to do it again, rather than simply buying the technology from elsewhere. I took on CITR as a mission."

As part of his mission, Blostein has assumed the role of a "research manager," something close to anathema in university culture. "The intense competitiveness of the computer and telecommunications industries is putting pressure on profit margins," he says. "This, in turn, forces industry to shorten its R & D horizons. As a result, there is an opportunity for university-based research to fill a gap and create economic value with a three-to-five year horizon." According to Peter Scovell, formerly in charge of university interaction at Nortel, "Universities like McGill are critical in carrying out basic research; if the research is viable, then BNR will actively invest more, and find ways to apply the technology."

But restructuring the way professors work together on projects is only one of Blostein's preoccupations. He also worries that Canadians do not comprehend the need for high-tech research and development. Blostein's crusade does seem to be having some impact – he convinced me, at any rate – although he is not absolutely sanguine about the attitude of policy-makers and a culture which, in general, allows students in sciences and arts to leave universities as technological illiterates.

Rumin shares Blostein's concern about raising public awareness of technological issues. "Why," he asks, "is it considered culturally important for all students to have some exposure to, say, physics or chemistry, but not to information technology? We need other faculties and students to perceive these courses are important."

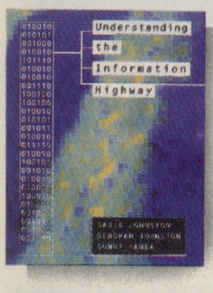
Ah, there's the rub. Like Percy Shelley's poets in 1821, electrical engineers are today's *unacknowledged* legislators, a condition that is more than simply an irritant. After all, as Rumin and Blostein note, whither Canada if we fail to understand the workings of this wired new world? Will we successfully navigate the global electronic web – or will we merely become ensnared? Blostein, considering these questions, epitomizes the persistent and durable crusader struggling to control the future.

This future, at least at McGill, may rest on the young and energetic faculty (says Rumin of his juniors in the MACS, CIM & Photonics labs, "I really don't know when these guys sleep or have fun"). Ferrie claims that there is "a particular style to the department. There are some people here who have really played fundamental roles in the field of electrical engineering; it's an honour to work with them." Perhaps in 20 years young professors will be saying the same things about the likes of Roberts and Szymanski, Plant and Tooley, Ferrie and Hayward, and the other innovators at Electrical Engineering.

On the Info Highway and a Right to Difference

Getting Canada Online: Understanding the Information Highway, *Stoddart*, 1995, $17.95, by David Johnston, Deborah Johnston, BCL'95, LLB'95, and Sunny Handa

This book covers the "information highway" and its effect on Canadian society. It has four parts: an introduction, a description of the scientific foundations of the technology, a discussion of the legal issues, and a discussion of the socio-economic implications. By "information highway" the authors mean not only the Internet, but also "cable and satellite television, digital and traditional airwave radio, broadband, narrowbandand wireless (e.g., cellular) telephone, plus local area (LANS) and wide area (WANS) computer networks, and databases."



This extremely broad definition forces the authors to pack a huge amount of information into the second and third parts of the book, since they must first explain how all these technologies work and then describe how Canadian law applies to each of them. Some of the detail seems unnecessary – does the average reader interested in learning more about the Internet need to be told the difference between baseband and broadband coaxial cable? Nevertheless, this middle portion contains clear, helpful expositions of the scientific and legal issues.

Unfortunately, the more discursive beginning and end of the book are marred by bad writing and woolliness. On page one, we hear that Canada "has learned to live with difference and make it an invigorating strength" – as opposed to an enfeebling strength, one presumes. Chapter three, we are told, will "discuss human interaction with the existential environment that surrounds us at a fairly abstract level." What would a non-existential environment be? Is there such a thing as an environment that does not surround us? We learn that "in our present state of being, technology may assist the attainment of spiritual nirvana through the widespread communication of ideas and concepts between individuals." Yes, and Bill Gates is a Boddhisatva. "There is a concern that foreign materials will flood the Canadian core of the Internet at the expense of domestic content." What is meant by "the Canadian core of the Internet"? Will our economy be submerged in a tide of cheap World Wide Web home pages churned out by South Carolinian lintheads at $5 an hour?

The sentences just quoted are at least entertaining. The authors' woolliness – their desire to wrap their more contentious opinions in an obscuring blanket of blandness – is a more serious flaw, for it makes the book duller than it need be. For instance, reading between the lines, one gathers that some or all of the authors are in favour of active intervention by the Canadian federal government in most areas of the information highway, including the Internet. This is a very unpopular opinion, and one I do not share. However, a well-argued case in favour of government intervention might have cast light on certain aspects of the subject that are overlooked by the neoliberal gospel. If the authors themselves disagree on this topic, as certain passages in the introduction seem to suggest, a Socratic dialogue between them could have been devised. Instead, one has the impression here, and in many other places in the book, that clarity has been sacrificed for consensus. Compromise is a virtue in a committee member, but a vice in a writer. To sum up, these authors should have chosen a narrower topic, dared to be more opinionated, and edited more rigorously.

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Redefining Multicultural Education, *Harcourt Brace*, 1996, $19.95, by Ratna Ghosh

Ratna Ghosh's little volume shines like a jewel in the murky and ill-defined world of multicultural/intercultural education. For some, these terms imply a simplistic "Holidays and Heroes" approach to curriculum, with an emphasis on assimilation of non-dominant groups to the dominant culture. Ghosh, a McGill education professor, introduces her book with some important premises. In her view, multicultural education must allow for the full development of the potential and critical abilities of all children regardless of their "differences."

Pointing out that inequalities in education need more than structural change, she insists that education must focus on the forces of social stratification and the power represented in constructing and maintaining difference. For Ghosh, multiculturalism is a right to difference and multicultural education must teach all children critical consciousness so they can question the reasons for inequalities within the democratic rhetoric of social justice. Thus multicultural education is not merely a matter of adding to or even changing curriculum. It must deal with the total culture of the school and aim to transform (not merely reform) the relations and meanings in education.

Ghosh provides clear definitions of the concepts of difference, identity and empowerment. Her view of school structure and culture is pervaded by this transformative concept of multiculturalism. She pleads for particular attention to children's varied levels of motivation, cognitive and learning styles, and appeals for teachers to use a range of teaching styles instead of assuming children react best to one style.

Although she includes a chapter on the history of multicultural education in Canada, her concepts and practical suggestions for teachers have universal application. Attention is also given to teacher education which is certainly a critical factor in producing teachers who give more than lip service to the ramifications of diversity in societies. The only weakness is a lack of attention to those at least willing to enter the field at the "Heroes and Holidays" level.

In all, this is a concise, well-written and thoughtful approach to multicultural education. Ghosh's transformative interpretation provides the necessary support for teachers, teacher educators and school administrators to move to the level envisioned by her.

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Fond farewell

by Gavin Ross, Executive Director of the McGill Alumni Association

In my more mature years, it has always been my practice to leave a party when I'm having the most fun – maybe midnight rather than 3:00 a.m.! I have had 20-plus wonderful years here at McGill – seven-and-a-half as director of Annual Giving and the balance as executive director of the McGill Alumni Association (formerly the Graduates' Society). When McGill offered me an enhanced early retirement package, after a bit of soul searching I decided to accept it.

I shall certainly miss McGill but I *hope* I shall not miss my profession as I am looking to find some project/ contract work, preferably in a temperate climate during our cold Montreal winters.

I have loved my years at McGill, the work I have been doing, the colleagues with whom I have worked, and especially the volunteers and students who have become my friends. Ours is certainly "a noble profession in a noble cause."

Let me publicly thank the many loyal and generous volunteers whom I have met over the years. I have been fortunate to have been able to visit nearly every branch around the world and the hospitality and warm feelings about McGill that I have received from graduates and volunteer leaders have been overwhelming.

I have often maintained that mine has been the best job at McGill and I hope it will continue to be so for my successor.

With fond memories and warm regards,

Gavin Ross

On display: At the Société des alcools du Québéc on Greene Avenue in Westmount, a display of McGill products for all tastes (wine sold only in Quebec). Photo by McGill's director of the School of Architecture Derek Drummond, BArch'62

Event-ful year

by Ray Satterthwaite, Acting Director of the McGill Alumni Association

By the time you read this the McGill Alumni Association, led by outgoing president Gail Johnson, BA'63, and incoming James Robb, BA'51, BCL'54, will have celebrated another year of activities at the Annual General Meeting on June 7. The past year has been one of transition, as the Association successfully changed its name and updated its by-laws. Renewed emphasis has been placed on improving relations with students, pursuing new alumni affinity services such as Internet access for graduates, and communicating the Association's goals more effectively to students, faculty and alumni.

On the activity side, your Alumni Association continued its fast pace with 330 events over the year. Highlights included the reorganization of Macdonald Reunion and the Downtown Reunion into Homecoming '95. More than 750 attended the sold-out Leacock Luncheon and the number of class parties topped 90. Following the great interest in the *McGill Daily* Editors story (Winter'96), there will be a *McGill Daily* reunion for all involved between the years 1968 to 1978, on Sunday, September 21, 1996. Please contact photographer Harold Rosenberg at: 5620 Rosedale, Montreal, Quebec, H4V 2H6; tel: (514) 488-8594; e-mail: hammy@odysee.net.

Outside of Montreal, alumni relations officer Karen Diaz, BEd'83, MEd'92, continued to rack up the travel miles as the branches held 25 send-offs for incoming students and over 89 events, including the Tenth Anniversary All Canadian University Dinner in Chicago. McGill initiated this event in 1986 and continued the tradition with Professor Derek Drummond, BArch'62, delivering his talk, "Oh Canada, our Home on Native Land!" to a sold-out crowd of 200. Derek also visited Vancouver and Victoria, and hosted the Leacock Luncheon in Toronto.

The McGill Society of

Astrid Godin

Goodbye and Hello: Twelve hundred graduating McGill students celebrated their last-ever day of classes at the Grad Class Reunion, April 12. The McGill Alumni Association and the McGill Annual Fund, co-organizers of the event, welcomed the new alumni to their first reunion with free hot dogs and beverages outside Redpath Hall. Thank you to the sponsors: Maple Leaf Foods, Meloche Monnex, Hurley's Irish Pub, Pepsi, Molson O'Keefe, Gert's Pub and the Students' Society of McGill University

Petra-fied: McGill travellers on the Road to Damascus tour, March 12-25, show off the McGill colours at the ancient ruins of Petra, Jordan. From left: Frank Topping, BCom'49, DipMgmt'72, Dale Swaisgood, MSW'58, Julia Lynch-Staunton, Mary Sinclair, BA'48, Karla MacDonald, BEd'92, Peter Sinclair, Sean Lynch-Staunton and Muriel Kassimatis

Montreal brought 400 alumni and their children to a special tour of the new Molson Centre. It was a great closing event for president John Lukca, BCom'75. The Young Alumni, led by president Tina Apfeld, BCom'90, ran a series of lectures and outings which proved quite popular, including a private showing of the Broadway musical "Crazy For You."

The University continues to face financial constraintsand the Alumni Association has had to become quite resourceful with its programs. As operating budgets decrease dramatically the Association now generates 27 percent of its operating expenditures from advertising, affinity programs and investments. We appreciate your support and interest in these programs.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call at (514) 398-5000, e-mail at Alumni@martlet1.lan.mcgill.ca, or visit our World Wide Web site at http://www.mcgill.ca/alumni

TORONTO:

And baby makes seven: Grads revel at the McGill Association of Toronto's Holiday Party, December 5. From left: Michael Hobart, BA'82, Claire Le Riche Rivet, Alain Rivet, BA'77, MBA'80, Mary Usher-Jones, BA'67, Graham McWaters, BCom'80, and Roz Evans, BA'91. Baby Philippe Rivet seems uninterested

OTTAWA:

Celebrating Britten: Betsy Rigal, BA'54, Chancellor Gretta Chambers, BA'47, Charles Perrault, BEng'43, MEng'46, and Doris Bradbury, BA'71, anxiously await the McGill Symphony Orchestra's presentation of Benjamin Britten's "War Requiem," November 29

BERMUDA:

His honour: Principal Bernard Shapiro (third from left) presents McGill's prize-winning student architectural sketch, awarded each year in memory of local graduate Wil Onions, BSc(Arch)'32, to Lawson Mapp, J.P., the Pro-Mayor of Hamilton, Bermuda (second from left). Also present are Jordy Walker (Wil Onions's nephew, left) and Ian Davidson, BCom'67, president of the McGill Society of Bermuda

OREGON:

Brunch bunch: The McGill Society of Oregon hosted a Sunday Brunch, February 11, at Lake Oswega. Modelling McGill's Spring line of sweatshirts are Judy Stockton, BEd'84, Natalie Tremblay, BA'91, and Bruce Hill, BA'83, Associate Director, Planned Gifts

FLORIDA:

Winging it: Canadian snowbirds in Sarasota gather for a luncheon, February 25. From left, standing: Joan (Skinner) Hanna, BA'35, Gwen MacRae, BA'37, Margaret Pope, BA'34, and Lorne Hamilton, BA'37. Seated: Ruth (Schnebly) Rowlands, DipPE'37, Kiel Oxley, BA'27, and Shirley Hoppe. Message to all snowbirds: please let us know of your winter whereabouts!

VANCOUVER:

Good Sports: Margot Dumont, BA'95, past president of SOAR, and her friend at the Vancouver Lawn, Tennis and Badminton Club, where guest speaker Desmond Morton, the director of the McGill Institute for the study of Canada, informed and entertained

COMING EVENTS

- **June 6-9, Montreal:** Alumni Branch Leaders' Weekend. Call Karen Diaz, (514) 398-3008.
- **June 6, Montreal:** Cricket match, McGill vs. Oxford-Cambridge Society of Montreal. Call Hugh Brodie, (514) 398-7259 or (514) 747-1631.
- **June 6, Montreal:** McGill 175 Garden Party and the unveiling of the James McGill statue, with guest Roméo LeBlanc, the Governor General of Canada, at the Roddick Gates. Call (514) 398-5874.
- **June 7, Montreal:** The McGill Alumni Association's Annual General Meeting, at the McGill Faculty Club. Call (514) 398-5000.
- **June 7, Montreal:** The McGill Alumni Association's Annual Awards Banquet, at the St. James Club, $35. Call (514) 398-5000.
- **June 12, Ottawa:** Annual General Meeting, with guest speaker Desmond Morton, director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada. Call Doug Durr, (613) 773-5659.
- **June 20, Toronto:** Annual Meeting and Dinner, at the McGill Club. Call Graham McWaters, (416) 364-6972.
- **June 23, New Hampshire:** Annual Dinner, with guest speaker Principal Bernard Shapiro. Call (514) 398-5000.
- **August 2-4, 16-18, Montreal:** Would you like to host a visiting Japanese student? Call (514) 398-5212.
- **August 22, Knowlton/Brome Lake:** An evening with Desmond Morton, director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada. Call Marna Tucker, (514) 243-5886.
- **September 11, Montreal:** "Searching for the 'Soul' of Euthanasia" conference, hosted by Michael Enright of CBC's *As It Happens*, at the Palais des Congrès. Call Susan Garin, (514) 286-0855.
- **September 19-22, Montreal:** Homecoming / Open House '96. Call Anna Galati, (514) 398-3554.
- **September 19, Montreal:** McGill Sports Hall of Fame Luncheon, at Tomlinson Hall. Call Bob Dubeau at (514) 398-7002.
- **September 20, Montreal:** Leacock Luncheon, at the Meridien Hotel. Call Susan Reid, (514) 398-3557.
- **October 23-24, Montreal:** The McGill Book Fair, at Redpath Hall. Call Cathy Robertson, (514) 398-4534.
- **October 25-27, Montreal:** Institute of Air and Space Law conference, at Chancellor Day Hall. Call Maria D'Amico, (514) 398-5095.

The Obstetrician is in

Dr. Elizabeth Steffen, MDCM '45, was no stranger to hard work. During one of the busiest years of her career, the gynecologist and obstetrician delivered an average of a baby a day. Fortunately, she had built her home only a block or so away from the hospital in Racine, Wisconsin, where the babies were born.

Dr. Steffen delivered thousands of babies over the four decades she was in practice before retiring in 1990. There were many twins and at least one set of triplets, Nurse Fannie Wynstra recalled recently.

Wynstra, who worked with Dr. Steffen for the doctor's entire career, comments: "She lived just around the corner from St. Luke's for 30 years and could run over to the hospital when needed, day or night. She got up at 5.30 a.m. and liked to be in surgery by half past seven.

"...Her staff did not change much over the years. I was with her for 40 years; her scrub nurse, for 30; and her secretary remained for a long time, too. I never thought of leaving her."

Dr. Steffen's work ethic was in keeping with her strong beliefs about the importance of health care. Journalist Peggy Constantine has this to say about her friend, who died in 1993: "She thought everyone had the right to health care and she set an example in making her office available to the Health Care Network, when she retired." (The Network provides free health care to uninsured, low-income workers in the United States.) She also volunteered her personal services to the Network—an act that was typical of this enthusiastic proponent of volunteer work.

The Network clinic is now established in another Racine building and, not surprisingly, is dedicated "to the memory of Elizabeth Allen Steffen, M.D."

Dr. Steffen's sister, Mrs. Jean Smith of Evanston, Illinois, observes: "She had a huge practice and took such good care of all her patients." In fact, she represented the third generation of the family to enter the medical profession, following in the footsteps of both her father and her grandfather.

Dr. Elizabeth Steffen, MDCM'45, doing something she did many thousands of times during her life—delivering a baby.

Aboard the U.S.S. Hope

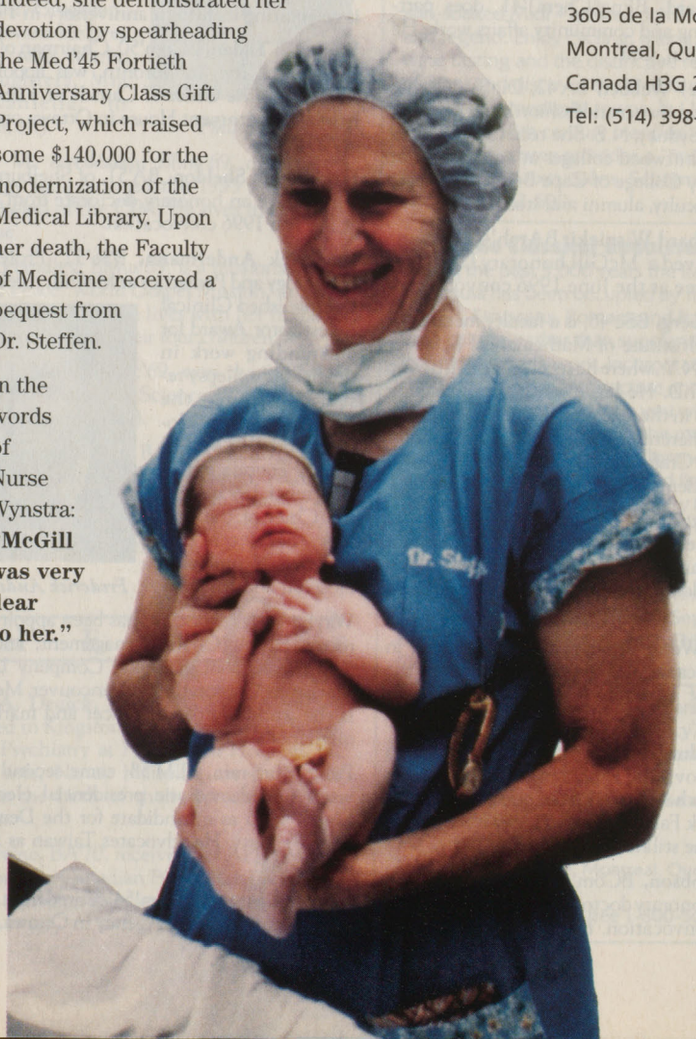
Dr. Steffen served two tours of duty in South America as a volunteer health care officer. She first worked aboard the hospital ship, U.S.S. HOPE (Health Opportunities for People Everywhere) and returned some years later to work in Brazil.

At various times during her career, Dr. Steffen served as president of the Racine County Medical Society, chief of staff at St. Luke's Hospital, chief of obstetrics and gynecology at St. Mary's Medical Centre and president of the Wisconsin Obstetrical and Gynecological Society.

Dr. Steffen was also very attached to McGill. According to a class colleague, Dr. Ruth McDougall, MDCM'45, who lives near Bridgewater, Nova Scotia, Elizabeth Steffen "loved McGill and had lots of friends there."

Indeed, she demonstrated her devotion by spearheading the Med'45 Fortieth Anniversary Class Gift Project, which raised some $140,000 for the modernization of the Medical Library. Upon her death, the Faculty of Medicine received a bequest from Dr. Steffen.

In the words of Nurse Wynstra: **"McGill was very dear to her."**



Remembering McGill

Gifts such as Elizabeth Steffen's further the advancement of McGill's mission through teaching, scholarship and service to the community.

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THE '30S

Lillian Wexler Payton, BA'31, has moved to a rehabilitation facility in New Jersey. She would welcome communication addressed to her son, Paul Payton, 67 Candace Lane, Chatham, N.J. 07928-1115, who would be delighted to read it to her.

Philip French, BEng(Mech)'34, spent a 25-year "apprenticeship" in anti-friction bearing sales before founding his own company in 1958, which sells high-tech mechanical parts. He lives in Mallorytown, Ont.

Sam Mislap, BA'38, is retired in Vancouver but still sailing and playing squash. He recently spent seven weeks solo hiking in Switzerland.

THE '40S

Muriel (Teed) Young, BA'40, is retired and living in Saint John, N.B. She and her husband enjoy visiting her family in Calgary and travelling.

Saul Zeidel, BEng(Mi)'40, is retired and living in Montreal. He recently completed a novel on gold mining in Canada before and after the Second World War.

John Blanchard, BEng(Chem)'41, does part-time consulting and community affairs work. He lives in Kingston, Ont.

Ethel (Nadler) Webber, BA'42, DipSW'44, has just retired as co-owner and fashion buyer of Smart Shop Ltd. in Sydney, N.S. She recently exhibited three of her driftwood collages at an art show at the University College of Cape Breton, featuring art work by faculty, alumni and students.

Catherine Chard Wisnicki, BArch'43, of Vancouver, received a McGill honorary Doctor of Science degree at the June 1996 convocation.

Louis Nirenberg, BSc'46, is a faculty member of the Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences in New York, N.Y., where he received both his MSc degree and PhD. He has made ground-breaking contributions in the area of mathematical analysis and partial differentiation. In 1982 he was the first winner of the Crafoord Prize, created by the Royal Swedish Academy as a Nobel Prize equivalent.

John G. Patterson, MD'47, will celebrate 50 years of successful medical practice in Victoria and in Phoenix, Ariz., in June 1997. He has also worked as a doctor on cruise ships in Florida and California.

Esther V. (Wong) Yamada, MSc'47, retired in 1994 and became a Professor Emerita from the University of Manitoba in 1995. She lives in Dugald, Man.

Laurie Hardman, BEng(Mech)'48, retired in 1987 from Provincial Paper (Abitibi). During her 38 years with the company, she worked in Smooth Rock Falls, St. Catharines and Thunder Bay, Ont. She still lives in Thunder Bay.

John W. Dobson, BCom'49, of Montreal, will receive an honorary doctorate from McGill at the Fall 1996 convocation. He founded the Faculty of Management's Dobson Centre for Entrepreneurial Studies in 1989.

Norman Drummond, BSc'49, MSc'50, PhD'65, officially retired as Associate Professor in 1989 after 35 years in McGill's Geography Department. Nonetheless, he has been busy! Since 1991, he has served as Chair of the Canadian National Committee for the International Cartographic Association, and is the 1995 recipient of the Canadian Cartographic Association Award of Distinction for exceptional contributions to the Association. He and his wife, Pat, have four children and live in Pointe Claire, Que.

THE '50S

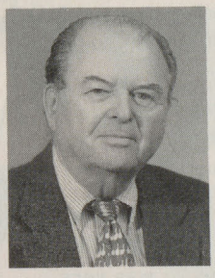
John Hallward, BA'50, received the Officer's Cross of the Order of Polish Rebirth, one of the highest decorations bestowed by Poland, from Polish Ambassador Tadeusz Diem in January 1996. According to the Canada-Poland Chamber of Commerce, "Mr. Hallward's relief effort included overcoming international bureaucratic sloth to personally take medicine and children's clothing by truck across Europe to Poland six times." He is Deputy Chair of McGill's Board of Governors.

Virginia McClure, BA'50, is the founder of the Visual Arts Centre in Westmount, Que., which is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary in 1996.

Walter B. Tilden, BCom'50, Chairman of Tilden Car Rental Inc. in Toronto, was appointed a Member of the Order of Canada at a ceremony held at Government House in Ottawa on February 15, 1996.

Huntington Sheldon, BA'51, of Shelburne, Vt., will receive an honorary doctorate from McGill at the Fall 1996 convocation.

Frederick Andermann, BSc'52, Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics at McGill, received the Distinguished Clinical Investigator Award for outstanding work in the field of epilepsy research from the American Epilepsy Society and the Milken Family Foundation in December 1995. He is the Chief of the Epilepsy Service at the Montreal Neurological Hospital and Institute.



Frederick Andermann

Wayne Wright, BSc'52, has been appointed Director, Supply Chain Management, and President, Waterfront Shipping Company Ltd., for Methanex Corporation in Vancouver. Methanex is the world's largest producer and marketer of methanol.

Peng Ming-min, LLM'53, came second in Taiwan's first democratic presidential election in March 1995 as a candidate for the Democratic People's Party. He advocates Taiwan as a sovereign nation.

Lewis Gunstone, BCom'54, retired from the National Transportation Agency in Ottawa, and his wife, **Lorna (Graham) Gunstone,** DipP&OT'55, retired from the Ottawa Civic Hospital's Geriatric Assessment Unit. They have moved to Val des Lacs, Que.

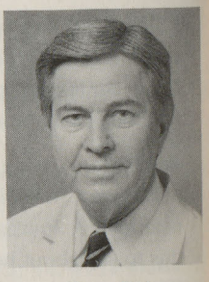
Arthur Cohen, BEng'55, Manager of Standards and Safety Engineering for the Copper Development Association in New York City, has been elected to a one-year term as the 1996 Chairman of the Board of Directors for the American Society for Testing and Materials.

Ivan Vlasic, LLM'55, of Baie D'Urfé, Que., received the honour of McGill Professor Emeritus in Law at the June 1996 convocation.

Alex K. Paterson, BCL'56, Chancellor of Bishop's University and former Chair of the Board of Governors of McGill, was honoured in Boston, February 6, 1996, with a Distinguished Friend of Education Award by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

Peter Tarassoff, BEng'56, was the 1995 recipient of the James Douglas Gold Medal from the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers. He is retired and lives in Beaconsfield, Que.

Michael P. Païdoussis, BEng'58, McGill Professor of Mechanical Engineering, was awarded the Canadian Congress of Applied Mechanics 1995 Prize for his contribution to the area of Applied Mechanics, at the 15th Congress held in Victoria, B.C., in May-June 1995.



Bryce Weir

Bryce Weir, BSc'58, MD'60, MSc'63, was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada in December for his contributions to the neurosurgical management of intracranial aneurysms. He is the Maurice Goldblatt Professor of Surgery and Neurology, Chief of Neurosurgery and Director of the Brain Research Institute at the University of Chicago.

THE '60S

Harold M. Angell, MA'60, recently retired Associate Professor of Political Science at Concordia University, has written *Provincial Party Financing in Quebec* (University Press of America, 1996).

Peter Burpee, BSc'60, MEd'72, is currently the Director for Educational Technology and Coordinator for Distance Education at McGill's Faculty of Education. Distance Education will celebrate its first decade at McGill in 1996-97 and offers professional development courses for teachers anywhere in Canada.

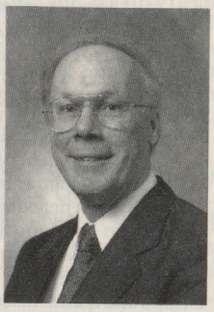
George P. Weiss, BEng(Chem)'60, retired in 1993 from Abitibi-Price Inc. In November 1995 he chaired a six-day full ISO Technical Committee, dealing with paper, board and pulp, in Beijing, China. He lives in Guelph, Ont.

Howard Rossman, BEng(Chem)'61, began his third career in 1982 as owner of a travel agency. He was previously an executive recruiter for chemical engineers and a Project Engineer with Dupont. He lives in East Brunswick, N.J., with his wife, Carol.

R. Cameron Grout, BSc'62, has been appointed Vice-President, Regional Sales, Western Ontario and Atlantic Canada, for Guardian Group of Funds. He was previously with BZW Canada Ltd., where he was Vice-President, Director and Institutional Sales Manager.

Stanley B. Messer, BSc'62, published two books in 1995 with Guilford Press: *Models of Brief Psychodynamic Therapy* and *Essential Psychotherapies: Theory and Practice*. He is Professor and Chairman of the Department of Clinical Psychology in the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J.

Arthur J. Plumpton, BEng'62, of the Centre de recherche minérale in Sainte-Foy, Que., was accorded the 1995 Silver Medal of the Metallurgical Society of the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum. He participated in the creation of several activities in his 10-year presence on the Society's board and served as President in 1989.



Arthur J. Plumpton

Arild Nielssen, BEng'63, was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association in February 1996. He is President and CEO of Canfor Corp. in Toronto.

G. Melvin Barclay, BSc(Agr)'64, District Agriculturist for the New Brunswick Department of Agriculture, Perth-Andover, N.B., was awarded the Distinguished Services to New Brunswick Agriculture Award by the New Brunswick Institute of Agrologists, May 1994.

C.J. Michael Flavell, BCL'64, married Gillian M. Brown on October 28, 1995, and they reside in Ottawa. He is Senior Partner with the law firm Flavell Kubrick & Lalonde.

Martin P. Connell, Eng'65, is President of Calmeadow, a Toronto-based organization dedicated to helping people strengthen their small-scale enterprises through loans. He co-founded Calmeadow in 1983 with his wife, Linda Haynes.

David P. O'Brien, BCL'65, was appointed Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Canadian Pacific Ltd. He will be based in Calgary.

Maureen Powers Sumner, BN'65, is a Health Care Administrator at the Sisters of St. Joseph in Toronto. A third-generation McGill graduate, she received her Master of Education degree from the University of Ottawa in 1975.

Daniel Hickey, MA'67, PhD'73, was the shared winner of the 1995 C. Douglas Mellor Prize for academic distinction in the Graduate Diploma in Public Accountancy at McGill. He is a resident of Westmount, Que.

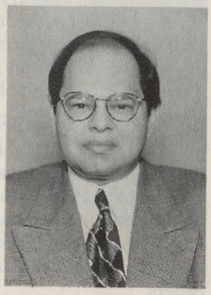
Maria Braden

Maria Braden, BA'68, Professor of Journalism at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, has written *Women Politicians and the Media* (University of Kentucky Press, 1996).

John K. Carrington, MEng'68, is Chief Operating Officer of Barrick Gold Corp., a major international gold producer in Toronto.

Naomi Lapin, BA'68, BCL'71, BSW'89, MSW'90, is a Social Worker at the Montreal General Hospital, and has a private practice in family mediation, custody and adoption evaluations, law, and individual, couple and family therapy. She and her husband, Jeffrey Rother, recently adopted a baby daughter from Paraguay.

Phillip Rossy, BSc'68, PhD'73, was appointed Vice President, Flavors, International Business Development, with Givaudan-Roure Flavors. He lives with his wife, Maria, and daughters, Mia and Daniella, in Hillsdale, N.J.



Phillip Rossy

Michael M. Avedesian, BEng'69, of Magnola Metallurgy Inc., received the 1995 Airey (Noranda) Award of the CIM. He lives in Beaconsfield, Que.

Neva J. Handley, BMus'69, is a missionary with Wings of Peace, World Gospel Mission, in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, where she lives with her husband, Daniel Handley, and their four children.

William J. Mullin, BSc'69, won the 1995 Michael Smith Award for Science Promotion. He lives in Fredericton, N.B.

Roslyn Spears Wiener, BA'69, DipEd'70, is the Executive Director of the Canadian Technion Society, the public relations and fundraising arm of the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa. She lives in Montreal.

THE '70S

Dwight A. Druick, BA'70, BSW'93, MSW'94, has moved to Kingston, Ont., to join the clinical team in Psychiatry at Hôtel Dieu Hospital. He and his wife, Nancy Marrello, are thrilled to announce the birth of their first child, Aidan Benjamin.

Carol Levine, BA'70, received her APR accreditation from the Canadian Public Relations Society. She is the co-founder of Communications

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MECA, a Montreal-based marketing and communications firm with associates in Toronto and Chicago. She has been married for 25 years to **Allan Levine,** BSc'69, who works at McGill's Department of Information Systems Resources. They have two daughters, Bonnie and Doree.

Joyce Borenstein

Joyce Borenstein, BA'71, an animation filmmaker and lecturer at Concordia University, won a 1991 Genie Award and an Oscar nomination for directing the film *Colours of My Father: A Portrait of Sam Borenstein.* She studied music and piano at McGill for many years with Professor Dorothy Morton.

Barbara M. Sourkes, BA'71, has published her second book, *Armfuls of Time: The Psychological Experience of the Child with a Life-Threatening Illness* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 1995). She is a Psychologist in the Intensive Ambulatory and Palliative Care Services at the Montreal Children's Hospital, and an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at McGill. She lives in Westmount, Que.

Norman Steinberg, BSc'71, BCL'75, is a partner with the Montreal law firm Ogilvy Renault, specializing in corporate law and mergers and acquisitions. He sits on the board of directors of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, the Centaur Theatre, the University Club of Montreal and the Canadian Club of Montreal, among others.

Heather (Wener) Brooks

Heather (Wener) Brooks, BA'72, MA'82, has been selected the 1996 Mother of the Year by National Multiple Sclerosis Society, based in New York. She is a full-time special education teacher for perceptually impaired youngsters in Edison, N.J., and was diagnosed with MS five years ago. Heather, her husband, Alan Brooks, and their two children, Marissa and Joshua, have been invited to meet U.S. President Bill Clinton this spring.

Barry D. Jones, BSc'72, MD'76, is Associate Vice-President, Research and Development, with Eli Lilly Canada Inc. in Toronto.

Manu M. Parpia, BEng(Chem)'72, co-owns and manages a software development company in Bombay, India. She is also involved in office automation manufacturing and distribution. She was married in 1979 and has one daughter.

Jane Roberta Reldan, BSc'72, MD'74, has moved to Telluride, Colo., with her husband, John A. McCarron, where she is Medical Director of the Telluride Medical Centre.

Dave Bennett, PhD'73, is National Director of Health, Safety and Environment at the Canadian Labour Congress in Ottawa. He wrote his PhD thesis between fire calls while working as a firefighter in the U.K. After working as a trade union instructor for the Workers' Educational Association, he returned to Canada in 1980 as a staff member of the CLC.

Jonathan G. Bayley, BMus'75, had two articles published in *Musicom* (Alberta Band Association): "Beginning Steps to Successful Flute Playing," and "Tone Production for Young Flutists."

Berty Dana, BCom'76, is Vice-President (Sales and Marketing) of Positron Inc., the North American market leader for the 911 emergency equipment and software, located in Montreal.

Brian J. Dooley, BA'76, is a self-employed technical writer, author and journalist now living in Leithfield Beach, New Zealand. He is author of six books: *Learn Windows in a Day, Desktop Publishing with WordPerfect for Windows, Learn OS/2 in a Day, Learn PowerPoint in a Day, The Complete Guide to Single Engine Cessnas* and *Warriors for the Working Day.* He is currently writing for *Computerworld, PC World* and others, creating multimedia products and developing web pages.

Steve Ducat, BSc'76, is Vice-President of Sales for Kasten Chase Applied Research, a thriving international hardware and software development firm with headquarters in Mississauga, Ont. He has also been appointed as an Honorary Director of the Canadian Professional Golfers Association. Steve lives with his wife, Susan, in Ottawa and spends most of his time travelling and golfing.

Ed Smallhorn, BEng'76, is President of SEA Engineering Company Inc. in Dartmouth, N.S. SEA provides engineering design services for machinery, equipment, tools and prototype/development assembly. He is an avid diver, and he and his wife, Cindy, have three children.

Janet E. Essency, BA'77, is now the Serials Librarian at Minot State University in Minot, N.Dak. She had spent 16 years at the University of Chicago libraries, the last nine as Technical Processing Supervisor at the Crerar Library.

Bob O'Shaughnessy, BEng'77, after serving as President & COO of Thorn Lighting Canada, started a manufacturing software consulting and implementation firm (EnCat Global Inc.). He is active in WAN/LAN projects in process from Southern Ontario to Saudi Arabia. Their home page will on the web shortly.

Howard N. Winfield, MD'78, has moved to the Department of Urology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Cleveland, Ohio. He was previously with the Department of Urology at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

William Cheung, BCom'79, was promoted to Director, Business Systems Development, of Scott's Food Services, a division of Scott's Hospitality Inc. in Toronto.

Stephen W.A. MacLean, BEng(Mech)'79, is the Director, Product Development, working on computer-aided engineering software for the metal forming industry. He and his wife, Patricia, have resided in Mississauga, Ont., for most of the past nine years.

Lawrence Panych, BEng(Elec)'79, works in the Radiology Department at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Mass.

THE '80s

The Rev. John Beach, BA'80, BTh'82, is the Episcopal Chaplain at the Florida State University in Tallahassee, Fla. His wife, **Denise Bénéteau,** BSc'79, teaches math at Tallahassee Community College. Their e-mail is: chapel@freenet.scri.fsu.edu.

Eric Birenbaum, BCom'80, DipPubAcct'81, was named Vice-President, Finance and Administration, of Pneutech Ltd. and resides in Dollard des Ormeax, Que., with his wife and two daughters.

The Rev. Paul Farthing, BA'80, STM'82, was inducted rector of the Anglican Church of Saint John the Evangelist in Montreal on April 25 after a 10-year stint at Saint John the Divine in Verdun, Que. A winner of a Scarlet Key at McGill, he will be remembered by many for seven annual performances as the comic lead in successive Savoy Society productions.

Richard Meades, BEd'80, former Principal of Westmount High School in Montreal, was recently honoured at the Baha'i Race Unity Award nominations, held at the school in January, for his efforts towards achieving a more tolerant and diverse student body.

Elizabeth Muir, BTh'80, PhD'90, is the co-editor, along with Marilyn Färdig Whiteley, of *Changing Roles of Women within the Christian Church in Canada* (University of Toronto Press, 1996).

Renée (Vogel) Robert, MEd'80, is pleased to announce the birth of Aaron Micah, a brother of Josh, Sarah and Naomi. She returned to the Rehab Centre in Ottawa where she has been a Psychometrist since 1980. She and her husband, **Andy Robert,** BSc'69, "are keeping up with the kids but may have to re-think our plans for early retirement."

Ric Esther Bienstock, BA'81, is a documentary filmmaker whose latest film, *Ebola: Inside an Outbreak*, aired on the CBC in January.

John Broughton, BEng'81, is Senior Engineer with Inmarsat in Watford, England.

Lili de Grandpré, MBA'81, has relocated to Mercer Management Consultants' Montreal office after spending three years in London, England. She is a consultant focussing on improving corporate performance by ensuring that organization and culture are in alignment with strategy. She also lectures at Queen's University on management of change.

Daniel Lach, BEng(Chem)'81, is the Director of the Mergers and Acquisitions Department at Crédit Lyonnais Securities in London, England. He lives in East Sussex with his wife, Nicky, his son, Michael, and his dog, Bo.

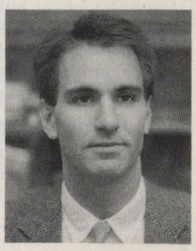
Constance Lalinec-Michaud, BA'81, PhD'95, has been a Clinical Psychologist at the Montreal Children's Hospital since 1989, and began a private practice following her doctoral degree.

Claire A.C. Brockman, BA'82, DipEd'83, is self-employed and lives in Newnan, Ga.

Maria De Cicco, BA'82, MEd'85, earned a diploma in Adult Education from Concordia University (1992). In 1992 she was awarded the prestigious Prix de la Corporation from the Order of Quebec Guidance Counsellors for her work in the area of adult learners and their re-entry into school. In addition to working as a guidance counsellor/andragogical consultant with the Jérome-Le Royer School Board in Montreal, she founded and chaired Quebec's only Adult Education English Counsellors Committee, and, in 1995, was elected President of the Quebec Personnel and Guidance Association. She lives in Anjou, Que., with her husband and son.

John Lea, BEng(Mi)'82, is the Operating Centre Superintendent for Amoco Canada Petroleum Company Ltd. in Rocky Mountain House, Alta.

Marc D. McKee, BSc'82, PhD'87, received the 1996 Young Investigator Award of the International Association for Dental Research. He is currently Associate Research Professor of Stomatology in the Faculty of Dentistry of the Université de Montréal, and a Scholar of the Fonds de la Recherche en Santé du Québec. He is married to **Darlene S. McRae,** BSc'82, DipEd'88, and they have two children.



Marc D. McKee

Louis Ruta, BCom'82, DipPubAcct'83, has become a partner with the Montreal-based accounting firm of Bessner Gallay Schapira Kreisman. His expertise is in obtaining government assistance for clients in the form of federal and provincial loans, grants and income tax credits.

Steven A. Stinson, LLM'82, has been admitted to the Tennessee Bar and has relocated his law practice from West Palm Beach, Fla., to Murfreesboro, Tenn., where he will continue to concentrate on civil litigation.

Suzanne Rita Byrnes, BMus'83, MMus'91, is Choral Director/Clinician in Kansas City, Mo. She and her husband, William Fredrickson, announce the birth of Mathieu Clifford Fredrickson on September 14, 1995.

Dave Holloway, BEng(Elec)'83, graduated from California State University in Los Angeles with an MSEE degree in 1992. He designs and tests aircraft antennas for a company in Santa Fe Springs, Calif.

Bruce MacCormack, BEng'83, was appointed President and Chief Operating Officer of MTS Advanced Inc., a division of Manitoba Telephone System.

Daniel J. Costello, BA'84, completed his PhD in Philosophy at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in September 1995. He is presently a Research Assistant in the Office of the Prime Minister in Ottawa.

Sevag Pogharian, BSc(Arch)'84, BArch'86, is a partner in the architecture firm Habitat sur Mesure in Montreal, which designed the Sprout home, an affordable, expandable home to be built in Montreal's inner city.

Brigitte Beaudry, BEd'85, has founded Les Editions SMB Inc., a small book-publishing company, in Montreal.

Wendy (Eitan) Black, BA'85, is the Manager of International Relations for the Israel Postal Authority in Jerusalem. In October 1995 she gave birth to Daniel, a brother of Alon, Orry and Tamar.

Gail (Moglen) Frola, BA'85, is a Computer Specialist / Systems Administrator for the Internal Revenue Service in Washington, D.C. She is a Lotus Notes System Administrator in Headquarters Operations. Gail married Ed Frola, a Senior Technical Consultant with Booz, Allen, Hamilton, in March. Her e-mail is: Gail.E.Frola@ccgate.hq.irs.gov.

Andy Glew, BEng(Elec)'85, shared an Intel Achievement Award with four other architects of the Intel Pentium Pro Processor (P6) and has joined Intel's new Microcomputer Research Lab as Acting Manager of the X86 CPU Research Group in Hillsboro, Ore.

Carlton Heine, BSc'85, is Assistant Professor of Anatomy and Physiology at the University of Montana.

Yin Mei (Aw Yong) Hueskes, BA'85, BA'88, is a homemaker in Alexandria, Va. She gave birth to her first child, Hou Ming, on December 9, 1995.

Claire Lanctôt, BA'85, MBA'88, appeared in a feature article in the March 1996 *Report on Business Magazine* entitled, "Outward Bound." She is currently Treasurer of Southam Inc. in Toronto and expecting her first child.

The Rev. Boyd Morgan, MA'85, has been appointed Provost of Queen's College in St. John's, Nfld.

Tricia Shea, BSc(PT)'85, is a Physical Therapist at the Kennedy Krieger Children's Hospital in Baltimore, Md. She has been married since 1991 to David Turlington, and they live in Cockeysville, Md., with their two children, Brett and Jillian.

Brenda Burley, BScN'86, is a Case Manager with two home-care programs in the Toronto area. She and Ken Horvath of Bridgewater, N.J., plan to marry in the fall of 1996 and move to New Jersey.

Luciano D'Ignazio, BCom'86, DipPubAcct'90, became a partner with the Montreal accounting firm Schwartz Levitsky Feldman in April.

C. Douglas Morison, DipPubAcct'86, was appointed Chief Financial Officer of the Colliers Macaulay Nicolls Group of Companies in March 1996.

Danielle Parent, MBA'86, was promoted to Vice-President, Finance & Administration, at Fujitsu Canada, Inc., in March 1996.

Elizabeth Prince, BEng(Elec)'86, is a Project Manager in the Control and Instrumentation Department at Elin Energieversorgung in Vienna, Austria. She has been there since 1994.

Dominic Bergeron, BEng(Mech)'87, is a Project Engineer with Bio Géo Environnement Inc., an

environmental consulting firm in Longueuil Que. He is married to **Anne Sprague,** BA'86, anc they have a two-year-old daughter, Elyse.

Pierre Cantin, BEng(Mech)'87, is completing his articling with the Vancouver law firm o Russell & DuMoulin.

W. Paul Finkbeiner, MBA'87, was appointe Portfolio Manager and Vice-President of th Canadian Real Estate Investment Fund of GWI Realty Advisors Inc., Calgary, Alta., in March 199

James Tony Gray, BEng(Elec)'87, recently lef the financial services world to join a compute consulting firm in Toronto.

Neil Haltrecht, BCom'87, graduated with a MBA from Stanford University's business schoc and is now the Director of Real Estate for Pacifi Theatres Realty Corp. in Los Angeles, Calif. H was married on July 30, 1995; he and his wif Karen, live in Brentwood, Calif.

Brigitte Lacouture, BEng(Mi)'87, has left Mour Isa Mines Ltd. in Queensland, Australia, to be come Senior Metallurgical Engineer at the Re Dog (Cominco) Mine near Kotzebue, Alaska.

Brian Bissell Lindy, BSc'87, DipPubAcct'89, be came a partner with the Montreal accountin firm Schwartz Levitsky Feldman in April.

Norman Paley, BEng(Mi)'87, has left Mount Is Mines Ltd. in Queensland, Australia, to becom Mine Engineer at the Red Dog (Cominco) Mine near Kotzebue, Alaska.

Mark Vinet, BCL'87, is an Investment Banker in the Corporate Finance Department of Wallace Dewan and Partners Inc. in Montreal.

Raja Abdallah, BEng'88, MEng'91, MBA'94, re located to Lebanon as a Project Coordinator for a local cement manufacturer in full expansion and modernization. He is married and has a son, and "I miss Montreal and McGill, where I spent 10 years."

Rob Baxter, BA'88, has been appointed Director of Major Gifts at Queen's University.

Jean Boilard, BEng(Mech)'88, is an Engineering Services Manager, Jet-Boat, for Bombardier in St-Antoine-de-Tilly, Que.

Peter L. Clark, BEng(Mech)'88, is a Process Engineer for Goshen North Carolina (GNC) Corp., a division of Goshen Rubber Companies, Inc., in Wilson, N.C. He is married and lives in Kinston, N.C.

Andree Crevier, BCom'88, is President and major shareholder of Hano Metal Ltd., a Montreal manufacturing company which produces elevators and other metal products.

Sonia Martin, BEd'88, teaches pre-kindergarten at St. Paul's Elementary School in Laval, Que. She celebrated the birth of a son on January 30, 1995.

Brian Foster, BEng(Mech)'89, is a Project Engineer at the Montreal Naval Engineering Test Establishment, a National Defence facility that provides support to the ships and programs of the Canadian Navy. He married Dr. Catharine Fanell on March 30.

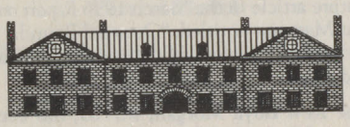
Christopher Howard, BMus'89, MMus'93, is a Professor of Theory and Composition at the College of Mount St. Joseph in Cincinnati, Ohio. He is married to **Anne (Cronin) Howard,** BA'88, an author awaiting publication of her first novel, *The Hempen Widow*. They have two children, Devon and Katalin.

Gillian MacKay, MMus'89, recently completed a Doctor of Music degree in Trumpet Performance at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. Since 1992 she has been the Director of the Wind Ensemble at the University of Windsor, where she also conducts the Concert Band and teaches trumpet.

Geoffrey Moore, BA'89, is the Vice-President, Institutional Sales, for the Bank of Ireland, Asset Management Canada, based in Montreal.

Sorin Sorescu, BEng'89, MBA'91, was in the PhD program in Finance at the University of Florida from 1992 to 1996. He will be an Assistant Professor of Finance at the University of Houston in the fall of 1996.

Thomas Zwirz, BEng(Chem)'89, worked for six



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years as both a Metallurgical and a Mining Engineer for Wabush Mines, a Labrador iron ore producer. He married a teacher and moved out West to seek his fortune with Alcan in one of its largest North American Aluminum Smelters, in Kitimat, B.C. He is currently a Process Engineer in Reduction Technical Services, working on development projects.

THE '90S

Marcello Ausenda, BA'90, received an LLB from the London School of Economics in July 1995. He plans to spend a few months in Italy before starting at the London office of Clifford Chance in February 1997.

Anushka C. Drescher, BSc'90, completed her PhD in Environmental Engineering at the University of California, Berkeley, in May 1995. She received a Canadian International Development Agency Award to spend six months researching in India. She is currently at the Bhawalkar Earthworm Research Institute in Pune.

Heather (Wilson) Friesen, DipEd'90, a science teacher at St. George's School in Westmount, Que., is one of the recipients of the 1995 Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence in Science, Technology and Mathematics.

Louis Leclerc, BSc'90, MBA'92, runs an Internet company, Globelink International (Globelink.com), a technology consulting firm focussing on Asia-Pacific internationalization. He and his wife live in Durham, N.C. "It has been a very exciting year and my Japanese is getting better."

Laurinda (MacGillivray) Matheson, MLS'90, has been working as a cataloguer at the Provincial Library in Halifax, N.S., since January 1991. In May 1994, she married Trueman Matheson, and gave birth to a daughter, Cairistiona Mairi, in June 1995.

Marc B. Mydlarski, BSc'90, PhD'95, received his doctorate in Neurology and Neurosurgery from McGill and is presently pursuing medical studies at the University of Alberta.

Paisley Nesmith, DipEd'90, is a teacher living in Ottawa.

Suzanne Turmel, BCom'90, is a Procurement and Interprovincial Trade Specialist for the New Brunswick Department of Economic Development and Tourism, providing advocacy, consulting, technical and marketing assistance to New Brunswick firms. She is also Public Relations Coordinator for the Atlantic Public Purchasing Association, and she resides in Fredericton.

Ion Valaskakis, BA'90, earned a master's degree in Political Science from the University of Western Ontario. Since 1992, he has been working on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., as a Congressional Aide. He currently serves as Legislative Assistant and Deputy Press Secretary to Congressman Toby Roth, a Republican from Wisconsin.

Ying Chen, M.A.1991, diplômée du département de langue et littérature françaises de McGill, vient de se voir décerner le 36e prix Québec-Paris pour son troisième roman, *L'Ingratitude*, publié au Québec chez Leméac. Originaire de Shanghaï, c'est seulement en 1989 qu'elle commence à écrire en français.

Aminah Fayek-O'Dea, BEng(Ci)'91, completed her Master of Applied Science degree in Construction Management and Engineering at the University of British Columbia. She then moved to Melbourne, Australia, married, and is now pursuing her PhD in Construction Management and Engineering at the University of Melbourne. She also lectures at the university.

Andrew Pyper, BA'91, MA'92, graduated from the University of Toronto's Faculty of Law and is completing his articles at Blake, Cassels and Graydon in Toronto. His collection of short stories will be published in Fall 1996 (Porcupine's Quill Press).

Michael Back, BEng(Mech)'92, recently graduated from the University of British Columbia

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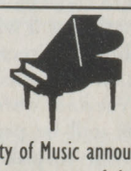
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with an MEng in Advanced Technology Management. He lives in Vancouver and works in distribution for Imperial Oil's Products and Chemicals Division.

Youngmin Baik, MEng'92, PhD'95, is a project manager with Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., in Korea, and is developing a new method to produce silica over-jacketting tubes, which are used as a preform for optical fibre production.

Steven Bright, BA'92, completed a master's degree from the University of Western Ontario, then travelled and worked as a lobbyist in Ottawa for two years. He is now Manager, Government Relations, for the Bank of Montreal in Toronto.

Mary Ann Clark, BEng(Chem)'92, is a Reservoir Engineer for PanCanadian Petroleum Ltd. in Calgary. She is married and planning to visit her husband's homeland in Africa.

Tamara L. Frederick, BA'92, completed her MBA in 1994 at Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif., and her MIB from the Sorbonne in Paris. She is now an Assistant Product Manager, Marketing, at Mattel's world headquarters in Los Angeles.

Sotiri Papafilis, BA'92, a Human Relations Agent, married **Bessie Isoros,** BA'91, on February 3, 1996; they live in La Salle, Que.

Justin Peffer, BA'92, received his MA in Political Science from the University of Toronto, and co-wrote a paper for the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples. He is Assistant Director of Gems of Hope, an international development organization in Toronto with projects in Haiti and Brazil. He lives in Toronto.

Dario Priolo, BEng(Ci)'92, works with BHP Steel Building Products in Taipei, Taiwan, as an Operations/Logistics Consultant. He will begin his MBA at the Harvard Business School in September.

Adam Nathaniel Atlas, BA'93, BCL'96, has completed a year at the Faculty of Law at the National University of Singapore on exchange from the McGill Faculty of Law. He will be working this summer at the new office of Stikeman, Elliott in Singapore. His e-mail is: law57014@leonis.nus.sg.

Eric Avner, BA'93, graduated from Cornell University with a Master of Arts degree in Historic Preservation Planning. He has been working for the U.S. National Park Service's Heritage Preservation Branch in Washington, D.C., since August 1995.

J. Kevin Brodt, BEng'93, is an Industrial Engineer with Kom Lynn Associates Ltd. in Vancouver.

Natasha Kehimkar, BA'93, has completed a Master of Labour Relations and Human Resources degree at Michigan State University. She will be working as a Human Resources Associate at Warner-Lambert Co. in the U.S.

Lisa King, BEd'93, moved to Toronto with her fiancé after two years of full-time teaching. She is now a Brokerage Assistant, ". . . working across the street from the TSE (and I'm not even selling hot dogs!)."

Paul. E.K. McElligott, PhD'93, is working as an Aquatic Biologist with Aquatic Resources Ltd., a consulting firm in British Columbia. He is conducting a review of the Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans' Fraser River Action Plan.

Veronica Nazareth, BEng(Elec)'93, is married and living in Ottawa. She is currently on maternity leave from her position as a Contracting Officer with the federal government.

Peggy Plaitis, BCom'93, is Director and Part Owner of Aménagement Dibek Inc., a painting services company in Laval, Que. She is married to Jimmy Bekelis and they have two children.

Nicolas Rompré, BEng(Mech)'93, works for GEBO Producion S.A. in Santiago, Chile. In 1995 he was sent by the Montreal-based GEBO, designers of packaging lines, to help start a Chilean branch. Nicolas is in charge of transfer of technology, project management and project departmentalization and design.

Heather Begin, BA'94, married Christopher D. Davies in October 1995. She continues to sizzle in the pork bellies futures market at the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Mike Bujold, BA'94, is teaching in South Korea.

Sayuri Childs, BCom'94, is working at the Toronto Stock Exchange and living in Toronto. She recently placed second in the cross-stitch category of Quilt America in her hometown of Boulder, Colo.

Joseph Di Lielb, BEng'94, is a Plant Mechanical Engineer for Camco Inc., an appliance manufacturing subsidiary of General Electric. He is also a Partner of 5T Inc., a consulting company he founded with fellow McGill graduates.

Ann Drummie, BEng(Ci)'94, is working for CANAC International in Montreal, a consulting arm of CN. She is doing capacity analysis and transportation planning projects for CN and American and international railroads.

Christina Minkiewicz, BA'94, has been appointed Assistant Director of the Mountain Haven – Children in Crisis, in Letnica Wielka, Poland. The Haven, located near Zakopane in the Tatry mountains, provides a recreational retreat for children living with chronic illness. She had been teaching English at a private school in Kraków for two years.

Panagiotis Panagopoulos, BA'94, earned a master's degree in International Studies from the University of Birmingham, U.K, and is a PhD candidate at the Institute for German Studies.

Reena Sattar, BA'94, is returning to the Czech Republic to teach English and once again enjoy the fine Czech cuisine.

Jen Small, BSc'94, is completing her education degree at the University of Ottawa. She and her fiancé, **Andrew Work,** BSc'94, are looking forward to their wedding in Taipei in August 1996.

Rachel Temkin, BA'94, is Assistant for Foreign Relations in the Mayor of Jerusalem's Office. She reports that Jerusalem is celebrating its 3,000th Anniversary as the City of David and the centre of the Jewish nation, and it is an exciting and intense time to be in this office.

Kristina Armstrong, BEng(Ci)'95, has returned to Barbados where she is "enjoying the year-round warmth, beautiful beaches and relaxed atmosphere." She works for a consulting engineering firm (structural and civil). One of the firm's directors is **Anthony Hutchinson,** BEng(Ci)'69.

Frank Mazzone, BCom'95, works at Future Electronics in Montreal. In April 1996 he visited the Philippines to cheer on his sister, Ms. Philippines North America, in the Miss Philippines Pageant.

Whitney J. Ralston, BSc'95, was selected to be a Traveling Consultant for Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity. In the 1995-96 school year she aided the organization and programming for more than 30 collegiate chapters of the women's fraternity.

Whitney J. Ralston

Tracey Solomon, BSc'95, is working with Arthur Andersen Consulting in Ottawa. She volunteers as a Brown Owl for the 407th Brownie Pack.

Gibran van Ert, BA'95, will study law at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, beginning in October 1996.

Javed R. Siddiqui, BEng(Elec)'96, is a System Integration Engineer with the United States Department of Defense in Virginia.

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Margaret (Burritt) Clemes, DipPE'17, at Toronto on September 7, 1995.

THE 1920s

Edith Louise (Barnes) Mitchell, BA'21, at Montreal on December 23, 1995.

Clarice B. Fraser, BA'24, at Kingston, N.S., on January 27, 1996.

Laura (Chalk) Rowles, BA'25, MSc'26, PhD'28, at Montreal on February 14, 1996.

Ruth A. (Fraser) Brown, BHS'28, at Ottawa on October 29, 1995.

Gertrude (Fair) Cohen, BA'29, at Montreal on February 13, 1996.

Cecil Hay-Shaw, DipSW'29, at Burnaby, B.C., on August 8, 1993.

THE 1930s

Benjamin Caplan, BA'30, MA'31, at Washington, D.C., on January 21, 1996.

Ian A. Balmer, MD'31, at Vancouver on November 30, 1995.

B. Stanley W. Brown, BSc'31, MD'35, at Brockville, Ont., on January 17, 1996.

Denis Coolican, BEng(Chem)'33, at Ottawa on October 20, 1995.

Ethel (King) Wood, BA'31, at Belleville, Ont., on January 2, 1996.

John R. Wilkey, MD'31, at Seattle, Wash., on January 8, 1996.

Ida (Rabiner) Caplan, BA'32, at Washington, D.C., on February 4, 1996.

Mildred L. Naismith, BCom'32, at Ottawa in 1994.

Ernest J. Talbot, BA'32, MD'38, at Valleyfield, Que., on January 29, 1996.

Robert Baxter, BSc'33, MD'38, at Brantford, Ont., on January 5, 1996.

Mary H. (Davidson) Brown, MA'33, at Chatham, N.J., on January 6, 1996.

Franklin R. Forbes, MSc'33, at Townhill Eustis, Fla., on October 15, 1995.

Charles F. Henniger, BEng(Ci)'33, at Smith Falls, Ont., on October 22, 1995.

John J. Dinan, MD'34, at Montreal on January 25, 1996.

William Chamard, BCom'35, at Clearwater, Fla., on February 12, 1996.

John A.B. McLeish, BA'35, MA'48, at Toronto on December 6, 1995.

Thomas Geoffrey Cahusac, BSc(Agr)'36, at Toronto on December 14, 1995.

H. Kingsford Jones, BArch'36, at Atherton, Calif., in 1994.

William H. Mathews, MD'36, at Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., on December 29, 1995.

Elizabeth Ann (Kerr) McDougall, BA'36, MA'65, PhD'69, at Montreal on January 10, 1996.

Ethel Margaret Grindley, DipNursPH'37, at Toronto on February 7, 1996.

Jack L. Greenwood, BSc'38, BCL'41, at Montreal on October 30, 1995.

Wilson J. Lee, BA'38, MD'43A, at Chatham, Ont., on January 27, 1996.

Joan (Bann) Rutherford, BA'38, at Hamilton, Ont., on March 11, 1996.

J. Neufville Shaw, BSc'38, at Stanstead, Que., on January 11, 1996.

Anna C. Templeton, BHS'38, at St. John's, Nfld., on October 2, 1995.

David Rome, BLS'39, at Montreal on January 16, 1996.

Harry Suffrin, BSc'39, DipSW'41, at Cote St. Luc, Que., on January 6, 1996.

THE 1940s

Kathleen M. (Paine) Elliott, BA'40, BLS'50, at Montreal on January 26, 1996.

Joseph W. Tomecko, PhD'40, at Burlington, Ont., on February 2, 1996.

Jennie (Leggo) Coull, DipEd'41, at Carlisle, Que., on December 21, 1995.

Robert F. Harvey, DDS'41, at Knowlton, Que., on December 11, 1995.

Arthur F. Battista, BSc'43, MD'44, at New York, N.Y., on December 13, 1995.

John R. Bogert, BSc'43, MD'44, DipMed'65, at Orangeville, Ont., on January 28, 1996.

Marie (Lafontaine) Brewer, BA'43, at El Cerrito, Calif., on November 22, 1995.

Jack L. Cummings, BSc'46, at Westmount, Que., on December 23, 1995.

Robert Y. Moir, PhD'46, at Kingston, Ont., on February 13, 1996.

Barclay H. Anderson, BEng(Mech)'47, at Etobicoke, Ont., on December 10, 1995.

David A. Climan, BSc'47, at California on December 13, 1995.

Judge Andres Aguilar-Mawdsley, MCL'48, at The Hague, Netherlands, on October 25, 1995.

Norman E. Brown, BSc'48, MSc'52, at Calgary, Alta., on January 16, 1996.

Robert S. Cross, BCom'48, at Belleville, Ont., on February 11, 1996.

Albert A. Grimaud, BA'48, at St. Lambert, Que., on January 6, 1996.

Patrick J. Sharkey, MD'48, at Kitchener, Ont., on January 27, 1996.

Stewart Cameron, BA'49, MD'51, at Stellarton, N.S., on January 1, 1994.

Joseph H.A. Senecal, DDS'49, at Alexandria, Ont., on January 28, 1996.

THE 1950s

Stanley A. Agnew, BEng'50, at Napa, Calif., on December 4, 1996.

L. Curtis Foster, BSc'50, PhD'56, at Scotts Valley, Calif., on January 10, 1996.

Hendrick P. Danies, BEng(Ci)'51, at Boise, Idaho, on January 25, 1996.

Loretta A. (Migliaccio) DiLuglio, BA'51, at Johnston, R.I., in the summer of 1995.

John Manes, MD'51, at Norglenwold, Alta., on September 28, 1995.

Howard W. O'Gorman, BArch'51, at North Bay, Ont., on November 19, 1995.

H. Wray Foot, BEng(Ci)'52, at Morrisburg, Ont., on January 11, 1996.

Mieczyslaw Bartkowiak, BCom'53, at Montreal on December 9, 1995.

Douglas R. Grimes, BEng(Ci)'54, at Winnipeg, Man., on January 10, 1996.

C. Barrette Powter, BA'54, at Dollard des Ormeaux, Que., on January 27, 1996.

Helen (Liberman) Bassel, BA'56, MLS'82, at Westmount, Que., on February 9, 1996.

Joan S. (Anderson) Nielsen, BA'56, at Princeton, N.J., on September 27, 1995.

I.W. Geba, BEng'59, at Pointe Claire, Que., on November 27, 1995.

Stephen W. MacKneson, LLM'59, at Toronto on February 11, 1996.

Cecile (Honig) Michaelson, BA'59, at Ottawa on December 11, 1995.

THE 1960s

Peter Gergely, BEng(Ci)'60, at Ithaca, N.Y., on August 25, 1995.

Gladys A. Hamilton, MA'66, at Brandon, Man., on January 19, 1996.

Jean-Pierre Mongeau, BCL'67, at Hull, Que., on January 13, 1996.

Morton Patrontasch, BEng(Elec)'68, at Toronto on January 13, 1996.

Edgar H. Schmidt, DipMgmt'69, at Mississauga, Ont., on January 19, 1996.

THE 1970s

Gregory Lucyshyn, BEng'77, at Longueuil, Que., on November 13, 1995.

Brian Marchant, DDS'78, at Westmount, Que., on December 28, 1995.

Donald Fraser MacLean, DDS'79, at London, Ont., on September 10, 1995.

THE 1980s

Albert George Turner, BEd'82, at Dollard des Ormeaux, Que., on September 14, 1995.

Richard Pouliot, BMus'84, at Sherbrooke, Que., on May 10, 1995.

THE 1990s

Galina (Gavrilovas) Simaitis, BA'94, at Montreal on April 25, 1996.

Duncan Campbell, BMus'95, at Montreal on January 7, 1996.

Deborah Weinstein, BA'70, and Judy Lewis, BA'77, of Strategic Objectives in Toronto, won the 1995 Golden World Awards for "Marketing New Product" from the International Public Relations Association in support of the BLACK Photo Corporation's launch of its *Memories Magic Digital Imaging* campaign (right). Toronto will never be the same!

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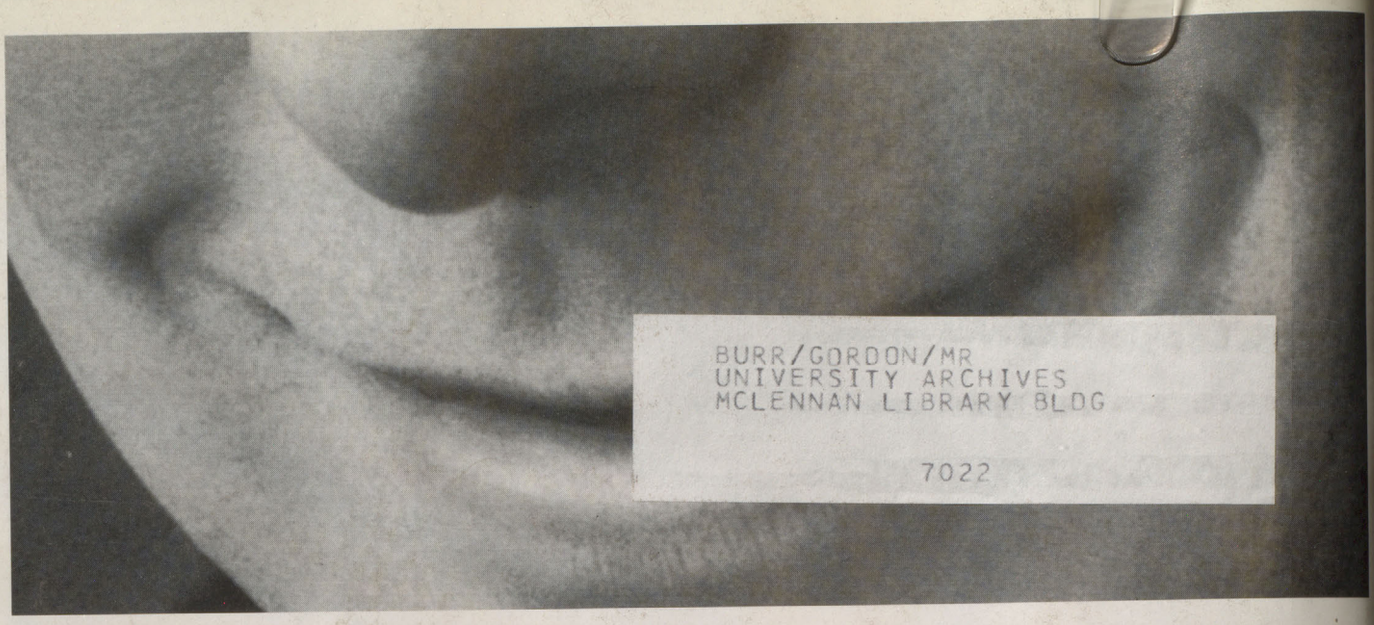
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Just imagine all the words we listen to in one year. If you're like me, you don't remember everything, nor have the desire to. Yet, after all the speeches, official statements and general bantering, I've found there are certain declarations which resonate, and certain off-the-cuff comments that generate intrigue. I couldn't forget the eloquent Richard Tomlinson, PhD'48, who at the dedication of Tomlinson Hall in the Athletics Complex, commented that he liked the modern architecture. "It's so beautiful I wish my cat could see it," he said. His *cat?* I called him early at his home in Hamilton, Ontario before his daily run to ask about the cat comment. "He's the nominal president of one of my investment corporations," Tomlinson explained. Specifically, the cat's name is Yttrium (after the element), and one in a line of Tomlinson's succession of Yttrium cats. "What is being donated to McGill is the value of Yttrium's investment. It's his investment that pays the shots," Tomlinson explained even further. Yttrium is apparently licking his paws and hoping the Quebec government makes its charitable donation terms even more favourable.

The cat gave way to clothes. At one point, I repeatedly thought about Pearl Sheffy Gefen, MA'58, a writer whom I met while on a press trip. At 65, she was on assignment for *Lifestyle* magazine in Switzerland, consistent with a lifetime profiling famous film people and authors. Most of the writers were women and the subject of clothes came up. "I have all the clothes I need for the rest of my life," she declared. Afterwards, I gazed at my closet wondering what it would be like . . . these, the clothes for my life. Could the end ever be so near that a new sweater wouldn't suffice? I saw Pearl later in Toronto to ask her to write a retrospective for the *McGill News*. While my pitch was unsuccessful (there's just too much, she pleaded), there was still the clothes question. "It's my age," she commented, "I just don't need any more."

The clothes gave way to contracts. Management professor Kapil Bawa had been giving me some tips on establishing a readership survey when the conversation wandered to out-of-office interests. He'd just written a play performed at the Strathearn Centre and appeared as an extra in a Donald Sutherland movie being filmed in Old Montreal. Although of Indian descent, he appeared as an Arab. "Even the Arabs thought I was Arab." Strange enough, until, "I had to sign a contract not to speak." A professor under contract not to profess. Only in the world of film unions, it appears.

Contracts gave way to kookiness. Once a year, there's a conference of everyone at Canadian universities who works in public affairs, alumni relations, publications and fundraising. In new parlance, these are known as university "advancement" activities. Our conference last June was at Sherbrooke, Que. where the movable swimming pool floor at Sherbrooke University was raised up to leave 16 inches of water. Balloons were strung above, strobe lights played, a DJ was engaged, and a few hundred people danced in the water like a bunch of kids at a high school graduation. One of the presenters, a design professor from Concordia, marvelled at the sight, "This would never happen at an academic conference. I just can't believe all these administrators dancing." Yes, even administrators can come alive every now and again. We, the dancing administrators at McGill welcome academic Derek Drummond, BArch'62, over to our ranks. His new appointment as McGill VP, development and alumni relations is heartily welcomed. For years, the Leacock Luncheon lecturer has called the position, "VP, Small Change". The former director of architecture may need his waterproof dancing shoes as well as his brown penny wrappers. His notable comments? Stay tuned.

Janice Paskey

LETTERS

Feminist presence

I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON YOUR article about the Introduction to Feminist Theory taught by Marguerite Deslauriers (Summer'96). After reading it, two questions at least leap to mind: for someone who complains about students expecting female professors to be nurturing, why is she asking them about their breakfasts and their weight? More importantly, when a professor "glosses over" a student's argument (and the student must be "brave"), or is "decidedly condescending", why should she be surprised when they are intimidated into prefacing their questions with, "This may be a silly question"? My daughter is in the Honours Electrical Engineering Program at McGill and I think her presence and high grades are doing more to advance the feminist cause than Prof. Deslauriers and all her sneering contempt for men, and for women who don't do what is politically correct.

Mary R. Mony
Montreal, Que.

PROFESSOR DESLAURIERS STATES THAT "acquaintance with the truth always recommends itself" ("Bon-Bons and a Big Breakfast", Summer'96). She also states that "men get to decide what is normal and lesbian sex is not in men's interest."

Does Deslauriers seriously believe that men can, and in fact do, determine the sexuality of the general population? Or is her regard for the truth subservient to her political ends?

People of good will can agree upon the following, I think:
–women have been oppressed in significant ways in the past;
–women have made important strides toward equality, particularly over the last few decades and particularly in the developed nations;
–all people, men and women, should continue to make efforts toward full equality for women (and all races, etc.).

Alex Simonelis, BSc'72, MSc(Agr)'78
Montreal, Que.

IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE ARE ONLY a few things to be said about women's equality. Women should get ahead professionally and in other ways break the stereotypes, and they are. Opportunities have never been as good as now. They are good at anything so long as it does not require huge muscles: the division of labour starts there and with wombs. There may be greater verbal ability in girls and spatial intelligence in boys, but there is a lot of overlap and it may not last.

Where there is still injustice, like less pay for equal work and less chance of being hired, women should protest together: in a democracy numbers count.

Women have not been the only victims: men have had to do back-breaking labour or other jobs they hated all their lives, gone to be speared or shot at in countless wars, with the terror, awful wounds and early deaths of war, while women stayed home in safety with the relatively interesting work of caring for their children, often their own bosses in the household.

There is nothing more demanding, challenging, rewarding and beneficial to others than bringing up children well. But some are talented and some aren't, so one should be able to hire someone. There is nothing sadder than coming home to an empty house.

Ann Scott Musil, BA'55, MA'79
Chateauguay, Que.

Credit due

I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS MY considerable dismay at two errors which affect McGill University Libraries in the article, "Friend or Foe?" (Summer'96).

The first error concerns PERUSE, described on page 19 as "McGill's on-line database of periodical indices and abstracts . . .". PERUSE was developed with University support, to be sure, but it has always been a Library initiative. Indeed, following the successful implementation of the MUSE database (also a library accomplishment of the first magnitude), the installation of PERUSE represented a huge and pioneering step forward. While nobody outside the libraries can really appreciate the hard work, ingenuity, technical expertise and foresight which McGill's librarians, aided by their colleagues in the Computing Centre, brought to this endeavour, it is distressing to have no credit or acknowledgement attributed where it belongs. PERUSE was the first such periodical database mounted in Canada and has served as a model for countless other libraries the length and breadth of our country.

The second error, on the same page, concerns the "Building Canada" project, which your author credits to the School of Architecture. With all due respect to that school, it was again the Library – and specifically, the Canadian Architecture Collection of the Blackader-Lauterman Library of Architecture and Art–which secured funding from Industry Canada and completed the project in record time, thus creating the first such website in the library system and one of the first at the University.

I do not mean to sound excessively touchy or defensive on the Library's behalf but you and your readers should be aware that McGill University Libraries have played, and continue to play, a pioneering role in automation of research collections in Canada. Despite this, we do not receive proper credit; and this spills over into other areas, such as fundraising, the consequences of which can be crucial for both Library and University.

Dr. Eric Ormsby
Director of Libraries, McGill University

Note: Since receipt of this letter, Frances Groen has become Director of Libraries.

Extremely disappointed

I WAS EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED TO note that among the buildings mentioned on Peel Street ("The Pundits of Peel Street", Spring'96), the McGill Association of Continuing Education Students was missing.

Continuing Education supplies an annual 10,000-student enrolment in programs ranging from certificates to graduates studies and most notably, the CA program. The latter is one of the most renowned in Canada and brings a lot of prestige to McGill on top of generous donations to the Alma Mater Fund.

It is quite unbelievable that the Peel Pub, which is not linked to McGill by any stretch of the imagination, deserved such a privileged place in the whole article. I wish that next time, worthwhile campus organizations/associations are mentioned so that the full diversity of the student body is represented.

Michael L. Grynberg
Montreal, Que.

Physician's privilege

AS AN OCTOGENARIAN PHYSICIAN WHO has had the privilege through the years of participating in numerous clinical trials, it was of interest to read the story of the emerging Clinical Trials Research Group at McGill ("Do The Right Thing", Spring'96).

It was somewhat disturbing to read that in this group there is only one physician, the Dean of Medicine, and that he is counterbalanced by an epidemiologist, two lawyers, a theologian, a nurse-clinician and a doctoral student.

One would question whether there is any place for lawyers, of whom there are already too many in this world, in such a group. Perhaps there are so many of them that they are spilling over into unwanted territory.

As an example, in the United States at the present time there is increasing furore over the ethical standards related to the decisions which a patient or his/her surrogate make in the "right to die." One would remind those concerned that such decisions should be made primarily by the physician caring for the patient and the immediate relatives. This matter is not one which should involve the legal profession.

C.R. Stephen, MD'40A
Chesterfield, Missouri

Editor's note: While it was not clearly stated, the author, Dr. Charles Weijer, of the article is a medical doctor in addition to being a doctoral student.

THIS IS THE FIRST LETTER I'VE WRITTEN to the *McGill News* since graduating in 1953, and I break my silence now to comment on your article ("Weberian Philosophy", Spring 1996) about George Weber, the new president of the International Red Cross.

The full and official name of this organization, as you noted, is the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, these symbols being the official emblems of the Federation, as determined by the governments signatory to the Geneva Convention.

Nations with counterpart Red Cross Societies whose emblems differ from these have, for reasons that may not be convincing, been excluded from becoming full members of the federation. For example, the Israeli counterpart society, the Magen David Adom, has its own emblem, which is part of the Jewish heritage, and thus will be maintained. However, because of this the MDA has been refused full membership in the Federation, despite its reputation for international good offices.

It is hoped that at the next International Conference of the Federation in 1999, with the support of sympathetic nations, this policy will change and the MDA and other barred societies will be admitted.

Harold Kalter, PhD'53
Professor Emeritus of Research Pediatrics
University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio

HAVING RECENTLY RETURNED FROM traveling abroad, I was pleased to see the *McGill News*, Spring '96 issue with the cover title, "Brain Power: Here's Who's Who on Peel Steet". As a recent graduate in English, Film and Communications Major (now Cultural Studies), with a minor in Women's Studies, both areas of study which are located on Peel Street, you can imagine how surprised I was that they were both neglected as 'pundits'. It seemed only appropriate that the Summer'96 issue featured "Bon-Bons and a Big Breakfast" to redeem itself when it previously chose to ignore the McGill Centre for Research on Women, home to the largest minor program at McGill University. I found it most ironic that Peel Pub received high honours and recognition which leaves me questioning whether to include or ignore my Women's Studies minor when I sit down to work on a current resumé to distribute for my inevitable "Life After Graduation" job search.

Tanis Booth, BA'96
Canmore, Alta.

Editor's note: The article "Bon-Bons and a Big Breakfast" was conceived and in the works well before the receipt of critical letters about the exclusion of the Centre for Teaching and Research on Women. The McGill News may not always be popular, but it is rarely brow-beaten.

Corrections

THE ON-LINE BUILDING CANADA project described in "Friend or Foe" (Summer'96) was put together by the Canadian Architecture Collection, the archival component of the Blackader-Lauterman Library, and sponsored by Industry Canada. Building Canada can be accessed on: http://blackader.library.mcgill.ca/cac/bland/building.

The percentage of tenured women professors at McGill is 21 percent, not 28 percent as reported in the Summer '96 issue. This number is up from 18 percent in 1989.

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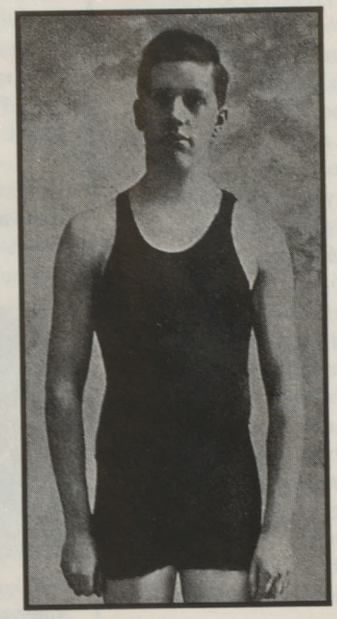


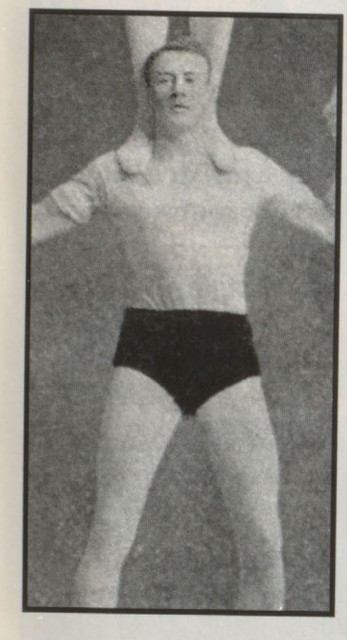
Dr. James Naismith (Nov. 16, 1861-Nov. 28, 1939) of Ramsay Township near Almonte, Ont., competed in football, soccer, and gymnastics at McGill. In 1885-86 he won the Wickstead Silver Medal. In his graduating year, 1887, he won the Wickstead Gold Medal. He was active in student government and undergraduate clubs, taught physical education, and was McGill's first director of athletics. He taught at the YMCA College in Springfield, Mass., and there developed the rules to basketball in 1891. He tested the first football helmet, played in the first indoor football game, and was not only a Presbyterian minister and a medical doctor, but also attained eleven academic degrees, including an honorary doctor of divinity from McGill in 1939.

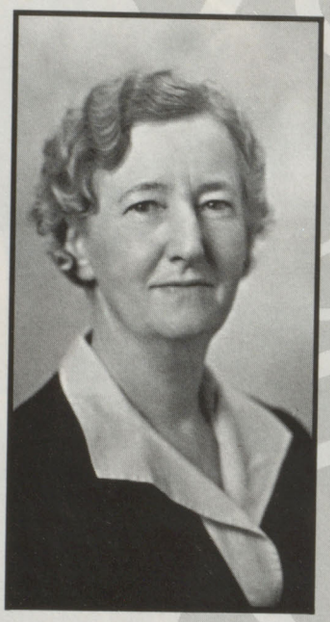
George Ritchie Hodgson (Oct. 12, 1893 - May 1, 1983) of Montreal, swam and played water polo at McGill from 1912-1916 while studying engineering. In 1911 he won the mile race at the Coronation (now Commonwealth) Games. With an innovative stroke, the trudgeon, he was the first Canadian to win two Olympic gold medals (Stockholm, 1912). He broke three world records in the Olympic one-mile swim, set a world record in the 400m freestyle, and won a gold medal in the 1500m freestyle. After serving in the war he competed in the 1920 Olympics at Antwerp. He was considered the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association's greatest one-sport athlete and was inducted to the Canadian Amateur Sports Hall of Fame in 1949.

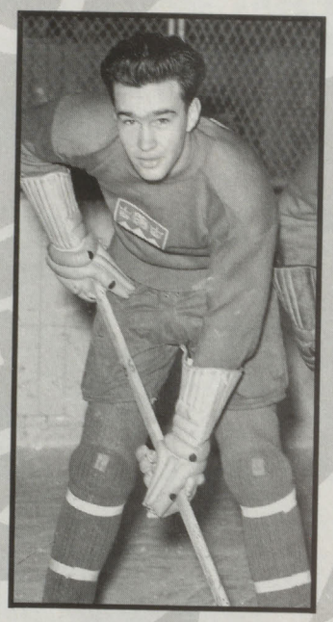
Dr. F. Munroe Bourne (June 26, 1910 - July 11, 1982) of Rothesby, N.B., studied at McGill from 1927-31, and graduated with an honours degree in English and Political Science. He won a Rhodes Scholarship, and later returned to McGill to graduate from Medicine in 1937. As captain of McGill's swimming, track, and waterpolo teams, he led his teammates to eight championship matches. He was named intercollegiate champion in four swim and four track events. He held five intercollegiate swim records and two Canadian records and swam for Canada at the 1928, 1932, and 1936 Olympics, winning a bronze medal in 1928. Bourne served on McGill's Athletics Board and was inducted into the Canadian Amateur Sports Hall of Fame in 1972.

Capt. Percival Molson (Aug. 14, 1880 -July 5, 1917) played with the Stanley Cup championship Montreal Victorias at the age of 16, and studied at McGill from 1897-1901, graduating with a BA. He was captain of the hockey team, starred in track and football, and won the Individual Trophy for the school's "best all-round athlete" three times. He set a world record in the long jump in 1900, and was the youngest member to serve on the McGill Board of Governors, chairing its finance and stadium committees. A captain in the war, he received the Military Cross for gallantry and distinguished conduct in action. He was killed near Vimy Ridge, leaving in his will $75,000 towards the construction of a football stadium at McGill. This was dedicated in 1919 as the Percival Molson Memorial Stadium. He was inducted posthumously into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame in 1963.

HALL OF FAME

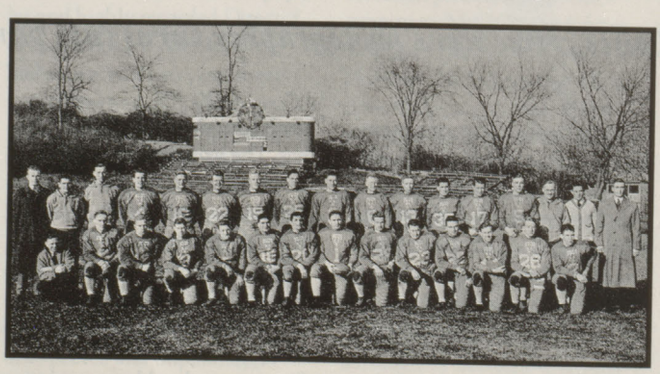






Dr. R. Tait McKenzie (May 26, 1867 - April 28, 1938) of Almonte, Ont., graduated from McGill with a BA in 1889, an MD in 1892, and was granted an honorary law degree in 1921. He won the Wickstead Silver Medal and in 1889 the Wickstead Gold Medal. He succeeded James Naismith as the gymnasium instructor and became McGill's first medical director of physical training. He was instrumental in the formation of McGill's first basketball team in 1901 and, in 1904, accepted the position of Dean of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. His sculptures of athletic figures have been displayed at the Louvre and at the National Gallery in Ottawa. As a sports enthusiast he attended every Olympics Summer Games from 1896 to 1932 and produced 126 works on sports subjects.

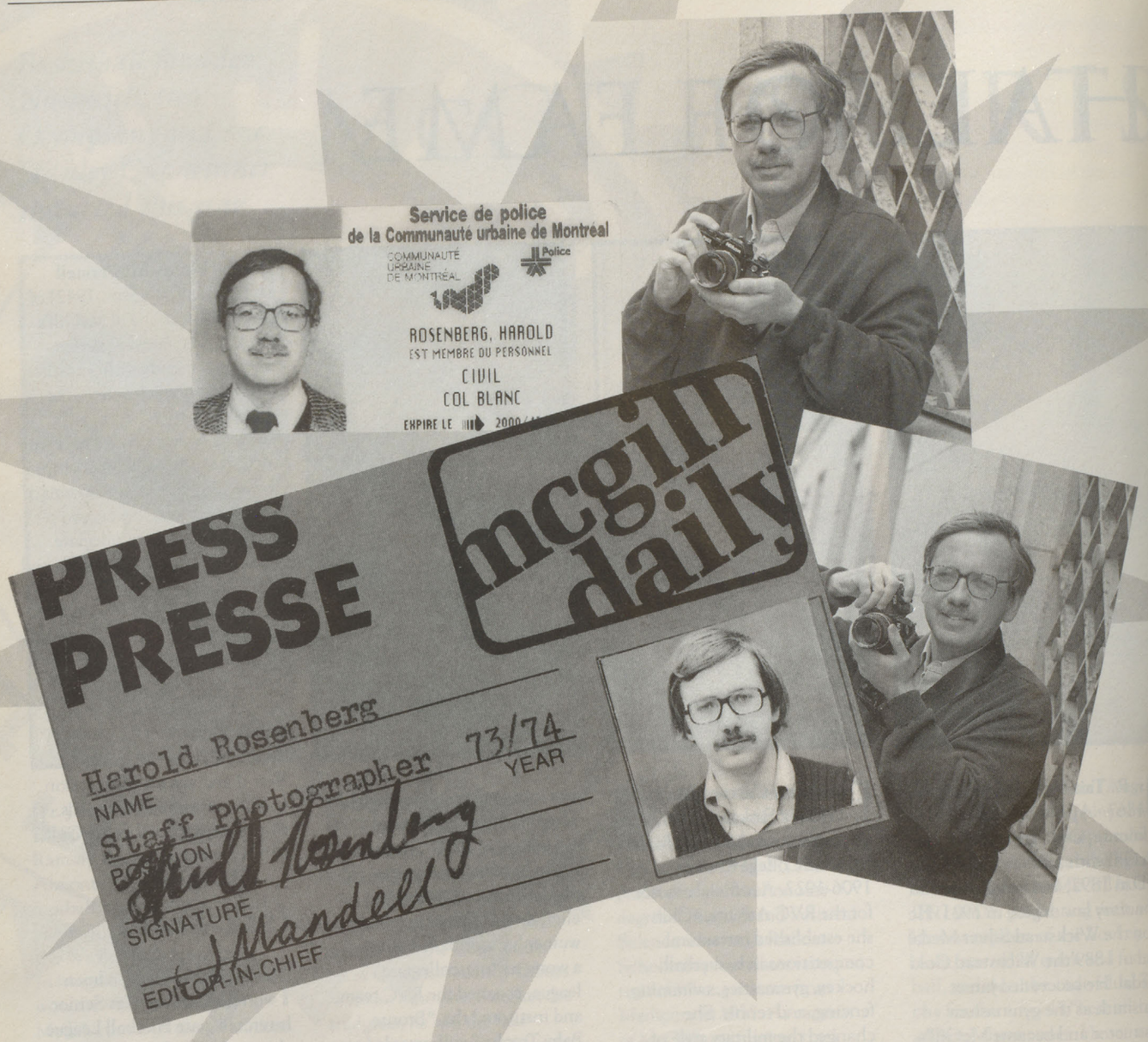
Ethel Mary Cartwright (1880 -1955) of Saskatchewan, was an instructor at McGill's Royal Victoria College from 1906-1927. As official advisor for the RVC Athletics Club she established intramural competitions in basketball, hockey, gymnastics, swimming, fencing, and tennis. She changed the military style of physical education to specialized training through schools and was instrumental in creating the McGill School of Physical Education in 1919. She initiated an undergraduate requirement in physical education, devised eligibility and playing rules for women's basketball, organized a women's intercollegiate league, coached the RVC team, and instituted the "Bronze Baby Trophy," still-awarded to CIAU women.



Russell Henry McConnell (Jan. 7, 1918 - Sept. 1942) of Montreal, was one of McGill's most prolific hockey players, scoring 116 goals with 95 assists for 211 points in 94 games. He studied commerce from 1935-1939, was a member of four McGill hockey championship teams, and played two seasons of senior football. He won two International Intercollegiate Hockey League scoring titles and in 1938-39 received the Ken Stewart Cup as MVP of the Quebec Senior Hockey League. Captain in his senior year, he established McGill career records for goals, assists, and points which stood for four decades. He served in World War II and was killed in action in September 1942 when his ship was torpedoed in the Gulf of St Lawrence.

TEAM AWARD

The 1938 Football Redmen won the Yates Cup as Senior Intercollegiate Football League champs for the first time in a decade. It was to be McGill's only football championship for the next 22 years. They had an 8-1 won-loss record over-all, outscoring their opponents 128-42. In 1991 the surviving members of this team established the "1938 McGill Champions Memorial Awards" for academic achievement and leadership in athletics, presented annually in memory of the seven of their McGill football and hockey teammates who lost their lives in World War II.



What's wrong with this picture?

Montreal Police crime scene photographer turns into party pooh bah

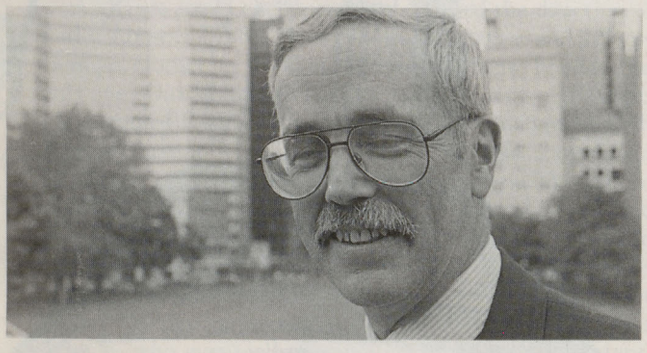
Well, he *did* have 25 years to get in the mood. For all those years, Harold Rosenberg snapped innumerable grip and grin photos as the regular "Reunion Weekend Photographer." The former McGill Daily photographer was unmoved. "Before I couldn't relate to any of this stuff because I was so young. Now, I'm getting close to them. I'm getting more into it." That would be an understatement. For his own 25th Anniversary this fall, Rosenberg relinquished his photography duties, and organized one of the biggest events ever in Homecoming History: a Reunion of McGill Daily staffers (The Westin Hotel, September 21). Although it would be a cliché to say it has "snowballed", well, it has. The word has been spread, a web page created, donations are flowing, and there's a buzz through the media world.

The mild-mannered photographer is an unlikely catalyst for the star-studded event. Happily married with two sons ("everyone should try marriage once"), Rosenberg works nights shooting crime scenes and occasionally donning a bullet proof vest to accompany police during raids. The 22-year veteran had only one initial reservation about the police job: no demonstrations. "I felt people had a right to demonstrate without being photographed. It wasn't political or anything." Ya, right, former Dailyite.

Feeding the Mind

An original event to honour university donors netted Annual Fund Officer Lori Yersh, BA'87, MEd'92, MEd'97, the 1996 prize for "Best Special Event" given by the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education, last June. The event, "Here's Your Internet Boarding Pass," taught donors (who were not denied cocktails and hors-d'oeuvres) how to use the internet. "Our idea was instead of feeding people we'd also feed their minds," says Yersh, who enlisted the support of colleague Eileen McKee and Marcos Silva, a doctoral student specializing in educational technology.

Board of Trade winners: Fredrick Lewis Appel, PhD'95, Gretta Chambers, BA'47, and Zhiguo Wang, PhD'95



Derek Drummond is new VP, development and alumni relations

Big Rejection! . . . And a Reprieve

It was on, then it was off. After lengthy negotiations, a new Vice-Principal of Development and Alumni Relations accepted McGill's offer this July, and staff were invited to meet him. A message followed an hour later: Principal Bernard Shapiro was "angry and embarrassed" to announce the new VP, an American from the deep south, had declined after all. Fortunately, a knight in shining armour was on the horizon. A few days after the big rejection, Shapiro announced that Derek Drummond, BArch'62, the popular and highly regarded Director of the School of Architecture, had accepted a two year interim appointment as VP. Drummond, who was not originally a candidate for the position, is no stranger to fundraising and alumni events; he chaired the Twenty-First Century Fund Campus Campaign, and is a veteran guest speaker at alumni events. Said Shapiro, "Although unexpected and unplanned, I believe this outcome to be a very happy one for McGill."

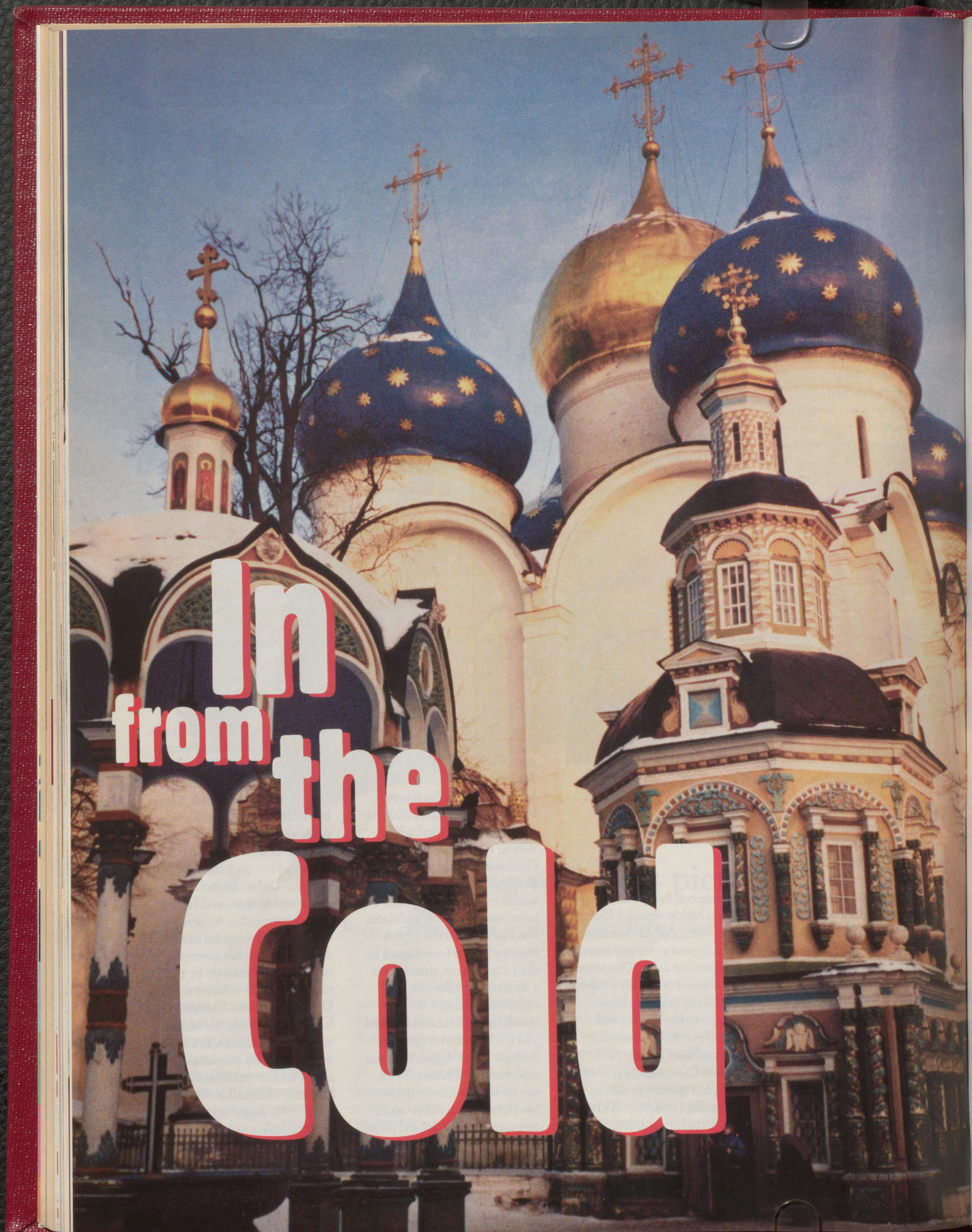
Academic hoop dreams

Two McGill graduates, Fredrick Lewis Appel, PhD'95, and Zhiguo Wang, PhD'95, jumped through many hoops while exhibiting academic excellence to win $5,000 awards from the Board of Trade of Metropolitan Montreal's 1995 Prix d'Excellence sponsored by Bell Canada and Canadian National. The awards are given for the best doctoral theses from Montreal's four universities. Each year, McGill grants roughly 300 doctorates, according to Lydia White, Associate Vice-Principal, Graduate Studies, who coordinated a rigorous internal selection process for McGill's nominees. McGill's candidates first had to be on the Dean's Honour List and nominated by their department, then fill out a lengthy questionnaire, and explain and present their research in understandable terms.

In the humanities division, Fredrick Lewis Appel, who was supervised by Charles Taylor, was co-winner for the thesis, *Nietzsche's ethical vision: an examination of the moral and political philosophy of Friedrich Nietzsche*. "This dissertation argues that a pervasive ethical vision underlies the work of Friedrich Nietzsche (1844-1900): a concern for the possibility of human flourishing in the modern world."

In the health sciences division, Zhiguo Wang of the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, won for his thesis, *Determinants of atrial repolarisation and arrhythmias*. He was supervised by Dr. Stan Nattel. "Many heart diseases are caused by electrical disorders of cardiac cells, which are often difficult to treat. Our findings have advanced our understanding of how the cardiac electrical system works in man, and has led to new approaches to developing improved drugs for heart disease, approaches currently being actively pursued by the pharmaceutical industry in the United States and Canada."

It was a good night for McGill as Gretta Chambers, BA'47, won the "Great Montrealer" award for the social sector. She has been Chancellor of McGill since 1991. Appel is a post-doctoral fellow at Harvard while Wang is a research professor at the Montreal Heart Institute.



In from the Cold

While McGill's Russian graduates can expect the most unexpected careers, opportunities have changed profoundly, from Cold War security to private sector consulting.

by Julie Barlow

A career in translation, even in Russian translation during the peak of the Cold War, would seem safe enough – it was the kind of job students of McGill's Department of Russian and Slavic Studies aspired to. Yet for one of those students, Jane Shorten, BA'85, that route took an ill-fated turn. In 1994, Shorten dared challenge the eavesdropping practices of her employer, the Communications Security Establishment (CSE), Canada's high-tech spy agency in Ottawa. On a television report last November, Shorten blew the whistle on the CSE, with the ensuing controversy reaching right up to the office of the Prime Minister before, regrettably, petering out and leaving Shorten currently unemployed.

Shorten's tale may be the most unfortunate for alumni from McGill's Department of Russian and Slavic Studies, but it's certainly not the only one of note. Students enter the program to learn a difficult and exotic language, likely ignoring practical caution. Yet Paul Austin, chair of the small department, says, "The Cold War may be over, but the mystique of Russian hasn't worn off." Furthermore, he reports, "We have started keeping students' resumés on hand: Russian companies setting up in Montreal and Canadian companies doing business in Russia frequently call McGill looking for translators." Judging by the experiences of some previous graduates, new students have reason to believe their taste for Russian will lead somewhere intriguing.

A chance social encounter fully changed the direction of Kathy Abusow, BA'89. Born to a Russian father and a Swiss German mother in London, Ontario, Abusow became the only one of six siblings to learn her parents' native languages – she studied Russian as well as modern German at McGill. After graduating Abusow had planned to begin compiling a dictionary of Russian and German idiomatic expressions when, at a McGill Board of Governors event, she met George Petty, BCom'54, DipMgtm'59, Chairman and CEO of the North American forest products company Repap. Petty's company was considering an investment in the former Soviet Union. "He was interested in my language capabilities," says Abusow, who eventually became Petty's executive assistant. Repap didn't pursue its Russian investments, but Abusow gained business experience and developed a keen interest in the forest sector. "Initially I thought the job was a passing thing," she says, "and now I'll be spending my life in the area."

Dept. Chair Paul Austin

After four years at Repap, Abusow left to complete a master's degree in the Regional Studies program at Harvard's Russian Research Centre, with a concentration in environmental management & policy. Her thesis was on the Russian forest sector's move towards sustainable development. "I ended up really putting it to use," she says. Now based in Montreal and married to Paul Andrascik, BA'90, Director of Development at Lower Canada College, Abusow, 30, is an independent consultant in international sustainable development undertaking studies for corporate clients such as Repap. Recently, she led a technical audit of a pulp and paper enterprise in Siberia. "Fifty-two percent of the world's softwood trees are in Russia," she says. "There is huge potential for Canada to become a partner in developing that sector instead of being a major competitor down the road."

It seems many McGill students are led to Russian more by inklings than by ends. Abusow still recalls her first year at McGill, when she learned the words from the few phrases she had picked up from her Russian grandmother. "It was just so exciting to separate the words 'I-want-some-candy,'" she laughs. Another grad, Raffy Dikranian, BA'91, wrings his hands in search of the right words to describe his attraction to the language. "I think I understand the Russian sense of humour," he decides.

"We offer a fairly traditional academic program in Russian language and literature," says Austin. "So, unlike (McGill's) political science department, the fall of the Soviet empire didn't change much here." Now located on the sixth floor of the Bronfman Building, McGill's Department of Russian and Slavic Studies has existed within the Faculty of Arts for just over 30 years. There are four full-time professors, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees, and class sizes that hark back to McGill's good old days, between 14 and 40 students. About 10 to 20 students graduate yearly from various programs. Courses range from Russian language and literature to Polish, Hungarian, Czech, and Western Armenian studies. The secretary, Lynda Bastien, knows many students by name and opens the door to visiting graduates. From 1977 to 1994 the department

organized midwinter trips to the USSR/Russia for students and faculty. "h 1979 or '80," Austin remembers, "we were forced to leav: behind one of the students who was accused of smuggling she apparently had taken some spoons. The authorities fined her $50, exactly the amount of money she had on her. Her ticket was invalid, her visa was expiring, the airport wa closing. . . . Fortunately, a Yugoslavian flight crew drove h:r to the Canadian Embassy, who rushed her back to the airport and lent her money for a hotel and flight back."

The Russian *glasnost* of the late eighties opened new private-sector opportunities for graduates. Raffy Dikranian took advantage of hat in 1991, becoming an office administrator for an engineering firm in St. Petersburg, one of the first joint ventures between a Canadian company and the Russian government. (Hewas in Moscow during the failed coup of 1991, an experience he calls "overwhelming.") Dikranian saw firsthand the difficulties in moving from communism to a market-driven econony. "There were some real problems on both ends," he says "The changes were happening too quickly, and nobody couldkeep up."

After returning home and completing an MA in translation at the Université de Montréal in 1994, Dikranian's proficiency in Russian led to a job at the Montreal management training firm Sigma VI. He's a project officer for the Yeltsin Democracy Fellowship Program, which is supported by a fund created by former prime minister Brian Mulroney after Boris Yeltsin's 1992 Canadian visit. The program brings Russian government officials to Canada for training sessions. Dikranian handles the administration and logistics of the visits while providing the guests with the familiarity of their own language.

Westmounter Heidi Hollinger, BA'90, became the most visible graduate of the department in 1994 after she photographed Russian right-wing presidential candidate Vladimir Zhirinovsky lounging in his underwear. After a stint as photo editor at Pravda, Hollinger now runs her own studio in Moscow, where she documents civic change with photos of Russian political leaders, many of whom are on a first-name basis with her. Ambitious and insouciant – and apparently unconcerned by Russia's far right – Hollinger has kept the Canadian media intrigued. She inspired a documentary film by John Curtin and Paul Carvalho, "Flirting with the Opposition," which aired on the CBC in January, and she was featured in the March 1996 issue of *Saturday Night* magazine.

Above: Secretary Lynda Bastien
Left: Kathy Abusow works as a consultant in Montreal. Her expertise? Sustainable development

Above: Heidi Hollinger in Moscow; Right: Raffy Dikranian (front) with a Canadian and Russian delegation.

Hollinger, like many fellow graduates, originally had no idea where her studies would lead. Her memories of first year include forcing out clumsy sentences and thinking of Russian as "mysterious, interesting." Hollinger recalls the small classes and intimate learning atmosphere as high points in the program. "The Russian department was great," she says. "It really really prepared me."

Students are brought up to speed quickly through intensive language courses and exchanges. "We really encourage our students to travel and use their Russian," says Austin, who has been teaching Russian language and literature at McGill for 28 years. "It's one of the first pieces of advice we give them." And that explains how, by their final year, once-hesitant beginners can read Dostoyevsky, write their papers, argue with their professors, and even make jokes in fluent Russian.

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Indeed, Stéphane Belisle, BA'95, spent more time in Russia than on the McGill campus during his studies. A native of Mirabel, Quebec, he heard about exchange programs to Russia from Professor Patera, and journeyed there twice. He also found work at the French Embassy in Moscow, and spent two months travelling in Siberia. "The quality of instruction at McGill is excellent, but spending time in Russia made a big difference for me," he says. After enjoying the summer of 1996 in Moscow, Belisle will pursue his passion for Russian in an MA program at Carleton University. He hopes to find work in non-governmental organizations or with Canadian companies in Russia.

Right now, Jane Shorten would be glad to land any work, even though her career had auspicious beginnings. Recruited right out of school by the CSE, Shorten spent the next two years in Ottawa monitoring Russian military operations from Leningrad, meticulously recording pilots' communications in training runs. "The dialogue was pretty monotonous," she recalls. "Stuff like: 'First turn, OK, second, Roger.'"

But after *glasnost*, Russian military manoeuvres became a low priority. So in 1989 Shorten learned another language – Korean – and was transferred to N2, the department that monitors diplomatic communications to and from foreign embassies in Ottawa. By 1991 she was working on "Project Aquarian," examining all embassy telephone and fax transmissions. It was then she started to wonder why the CSE needed the kind of information they were collecting. "We listened to everything – embassy employees, even Canadians calling for travel information," Shorten recalls. "Once I had to listen to a conversation between a woman and her gynecologist."

In her mind, intercepting communications in and out of foreign embassies was a blurring of the CSE's mandate. "I remember hearing the word 'warrant' used a lot, but it seemed to me the warrants were granted for recording diplomatic communications, not private conversations between Canadians," Shorten says. Her troubles began when she decided to talk to her superiors. "My bosses must have hit the roof when I complained." Shorten decided to take a leave of absence, and headed to Japan for a year to equip herself with another language. When she returned, the CSE had reclassified her job, then in the autumn of 1994 laid her off.

Shorten mulled over going public with her experience for a year. "CSE is answerable to no one. There's no mechanism in place to assess what they're doing," she explains. CTV journalist George Wolff picked up her story and interviewed her in November 1995. Prime Minister Jean Chrétien and Deputy Prime Minister Sheila Copps promised to look into the CSE's activities, and Liberal MP Derek Lee pushed for a government committee to monitor it. After months of "deafening silence," as Shorten says, in June defence minister David Collenette appointed a commissioner, former chief justice of the Quebec Court of Appeal Claude Bison, to keep watch over the CSE. "It's somewhat of a vindication," Shorten says, although she remains cynical that anything substantial will result from the commission.

It's been a difficult period for Shorten, who admits to being "in a state of shock." At 38, the Burlington, Ontario, native is unemployed, and looking for a new course in Toronto. "I want to steer away from language-related work," she says, the frustration obvious in her voice.

Shorten's travails notwithstanding, Paul Austin is confident that Russian and Slavic studies will remain attractive to students seeking the extraordinary, and that the department will survive the budget cuts that all McGill faces. "We haven't lost registration like some of the American schools," he says, "mostly because we never were Sovietologists." With Russians "holding their noses and re-electing Yeltsin," according to Austin, the country's rapid change should continue, helping keep the McGill program relevant and opening avenues for students. "The fact that a graduate like Heidi Hollinger is living in Russia and doing what she's doing would have been impossible only a few years ago," Austin says. "It's mind boggling."

The SOUND of LAUGHTER

EARNING A MCGILL DEGREE IS NO LAUGHING MATTER, EXCEPT FOR A GROUP OF AMBITIOUS COMEDIANS WHO PARLAY QUICK WIT INTO COMMERCIAL SUCCESS.

by Tod Hoffman BA'85, MA'88

Andy Nulman

Conveying tragedy is relatively straightforward: boy meets girl, feuding parents disapprove, boy and girl commit suicide. Excluding the odd sociopath, most people will understand this is a sad story.

Comedy, on the other hand, is a more elusive notion. It relies on exact timing, nuanced phrasing, a gesture or facial expression, the development of a quirky character or twisted situation—skills not often associated with a McGill education. Comedy also demands an instantaneous connection with the audience; if they have to pause too long to think about it, the moment is lost. Nowhere is this connection more immediate than in stand-up. On stage with a microphone and material, the comedian is alone and vulnerable to the judgment of a crowd that expects to laugh. This is the source of the energy that fuels a good show and the dreadful silences that signal failure.

"It's the ultimate challenge," insists Andy Nulman, BCom'83. "Stand-ups have no guitar or other performers to hide behind."

Nulman knows as much about it as anyone. As Chief Executive Officer of the Just for Laughs/Juste pour rire Montreal International Comedy Festival, he has brought the biggest names in the business to the city for 11 years. He has overseen the Festival's growth from a two-night, 14-performer show to its current 12 day, 1000 show, 550-performer extrav-

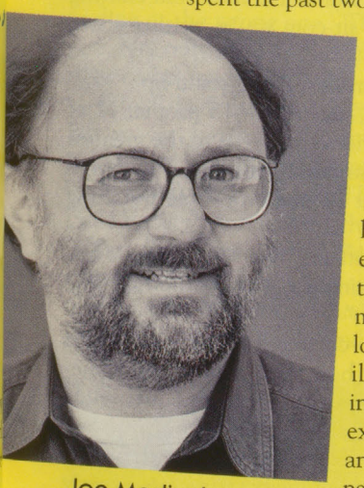
aganza delivered every summer. Perhaps because he knows so much about stand-up, Nulman has never aspired to be one.

"I tried it once and it was terrifying," he laughs. "I much prefer just giving speeches or lectures. There, as long as everyone thinks 'stiff, boring guy was kind of amusing,' you're a hit." Explaining the essence of a comedy show, he says, "Laughter is an emotional response. It has to be intimate, a rifle approach as opposed to a shotgun. The audience develops a one-on-one relationship with the comic."

John Rogers, BSc'90, one of the many outstanding discoveries to emerge from Just for Laughs, would agree. "You have to get 200 strangers into your head. You can't get into theirs."

So how do you do that?

"You can make people laugh at anything you would tell them about in conversation." Rogers admits that he filters through every situation in search of material. "A comedian could witness the second coming of Christ and he'd stop to write a bit about it." Rogers, who came from Boston to attend McGill, is now based out of Los Angeles, where he has spent the past two years shopping pilots around to American television networks. Recently he was signed on as a staff writer for Bill Cosby's new series on CBS, which means the Ottawa resident may also have to lay roots in New York.



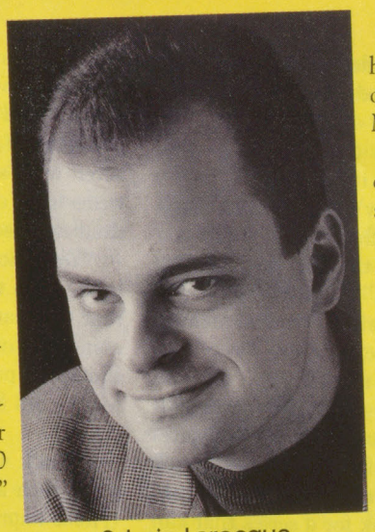
Joe Medjuck

Rogers discusses comedy in highly technical terms. He is extremely methodical in structuring and pacing each joke, mapping out every line of dialogue with coloured pencils to illustrate different moods and inflections. Exasperated with his exacting nature, other comedians have been driven to hide his pencils back stage.

Proving that any McGill faculty can produce funny people, Rogers boasts a degree in physics. "Theoretical physics," he emphasizes. "It means I know how nothing works in the real world. I can build an atomic bomb, but my VCR still flashes 12:00, 12:00, 12:00 . . ."

Another festival alumni and Montreal comedy club regular, Cowansville-native Sylvain Larocque, studied chemistry at McGill for two years before deciding he didn't want to enter medical school. He is now a commercial success as a comic who writes and performs in both English and French. He estimates that about 80 percent of his material works in both languages. "References to human nature are the same. The real difference is between age groups. If you play to a crowd that's mostly under 25 you'd better have a lot of sex jokes."

Of course, it's not just good jokes that determine a successful routine. Delivery is a make or break skill. "My stage persona was ages in coming," recalls Rogers. "My material was way ahead of my ability to deliver it." Now, after only six years at the craft, Rogers commands the stage with an easy confidence, using an affable charm to win over audiences. He has progressed to where he is staging a one-man show, which he brings to Montreal in October.



Sylvain Larocque

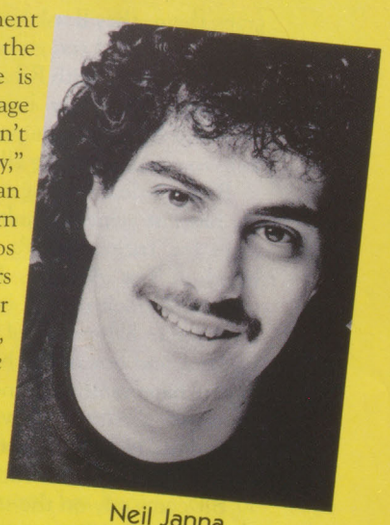
Larocque's act has focused primarily on rapid-fire lines and brief bits. He is still working on extending his character, which, he explains, "is essentially a caricature of myself. You take one part of your personality and develop it. Eventually that character ends up writing the material."

The stage persona may well be latent in those would-be comics who go on to hit the big time. A self-confessed class clown, Neil Janna, BA'86, was attending a show at Montreal's Comedy Nest ten years ago when he saw a comedian on stage. Thinking he could do better, he enrolled in a comedy writing class and eventually made a name for himself in the profession. In addition to solo work, he is half of a two-man show called The Quidlers, with Paul Ebejer; together they have toured Europe, Japan, and South America, and were slated to have auditioned for Jay Leno last summer. Still, despite having "headlined" across Canada, and appearing in Los Angeles and Australia, Janna only pursues comedy part-time, devoting the rest of his time to his Montreal-based clothing business.

"I played one of the rooms at the Comedy Store in LA. In that one room there were like 30 comedians on one night. I might have been better than 15 of them. But there were still 15 who blew me away." You do the math.

Discussing how he knows a routine is good, he says, "I can't sell a joke on stage unless I really believe in it. Then, you simply have to trust an audience to relate and follow along with you."

Any successful comic moment builds on the audience's faith in the initial premise, whether the joke is being executed by a stand-up on stage or by an actor on screen. "You can't fake whether something is funny," says Joe Medjuck, BA'65, an Executive Producer with Northern Lights Entertainment in Los Angeles. Over the past 15 years Northern has been responsible for such hits as *Stripes*, *Ghostbusters*, *Twins*, *Dave*, *Junior*, and *The Late Shift*. A film is test screened twice before audiences of up to 600 people and if it doesn't work on both occasions it's scrapped.



Neil Janna

"Regardless of the make-up of the audience, where they laugh during a film rarely changes, only how hard they laugh."

While measuring success in the millions of viewers, Medjuck believes in one simple premise: "Audiences know what's funny."

If there is a formula for making a comedic film work, it is to "warp one aspect of reality and ask the audience to react. Then see how things play out around that premise. In *Dave*

we asked what would happen if the President were replaced by a double. All the situations that followed were based on that one twist of reality."

Films depend on the collaboration of scores of people, working a scene until they feel they hit it just right.

"Sometimes when you review a day's shooting, the first take will strike you as funniest because the surprise makes you laugh. Other times a certain nuance in the fifth or sixth take will convince you that it's the funniest," he explains.

Since efforts to sustain a comedic premise over the course of a two hour film sometimes stretch credulity, consider that television situation comedy aspires to do it for 22 minutes a week over several years. Studio honchos look for a series that can survive for at least three or four seasons, giving them enough episodes to go into syndication, where the really big money is made.

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Neil Janna, aka.

"When you pitch a show to the networks, they want some assurance it'll have legs," explains Billy Riback, BA'75, pausing to note, "something *Ironside* never had, but it lasted a long time anyway."

Riback elaborates on the process: "The people you pitch to have an attention span of about a sentence and a half. You say your idea is for a show about four leprechauns in an igloo, and if that grabs them, they'll ask you what their habits are like, their motivations, and you go on from there." Conducting a telephone interview with Riback is demanding work: you have to concentrate on your line of questioning, listen, write down his barrage of quips, and contain your laughter so as to continue doing all of the above.

Riback's deal-making strategies work well for him. He has just signed a multi-year deal to develop sitcoms for TriStar, Sony's television production arm based in Los Angeles. He brings to the job an admirable track record, having been among the creative forces behind *Carol & Co.*, *Thunder Alley*, *Buddies*, and one of the biggest shows on TV, *Home Improvement* ("Knowing as little as most Jews about tools, I wanted to call it, Honey, Something's Broken, Let's Call a Gentile").

Sit-coms rely on the same characters in a familiar setting and circumstance to amuse a recurring audience. Success depends on the development of interesting characters more than on amassing a collection of jokes.

"If you write a joke for your script that would get a laugh no matter which character reads it, it won't work in the show," asserts Mark Blutman, BA'83, a veteran of the comedy club trenches, and nowone of the Producers of the ABC series *Boy Meets World*, "It has to befunny by virtue of the particular character who says it. You have to write from character, undestanding their neuroses, fears, etceteas."

"You know the character by virtue of living with them and you know what's consistent for that character, what should and shouldn't come out of their mouths" adds Howard Busgang, BA'82; Blutman's partner, who also began his career as a stand-up at Montreal's Stitches in the late 1970s before moving to Los Angeles.

Riback would agree, forthe most part. "You need a character with a consistent and unique world view. Tim Allen's (*Home Improvement*) premise is that men and women are different. The question is, 'how?' This premise applies to every situation that arises in the show." However, he disagrees about not writing jokes. "There are times when you have to have a joke; the characterhas to be capable of saying funny things. So even though it'sa line that fits the situation, it has to be a joke."

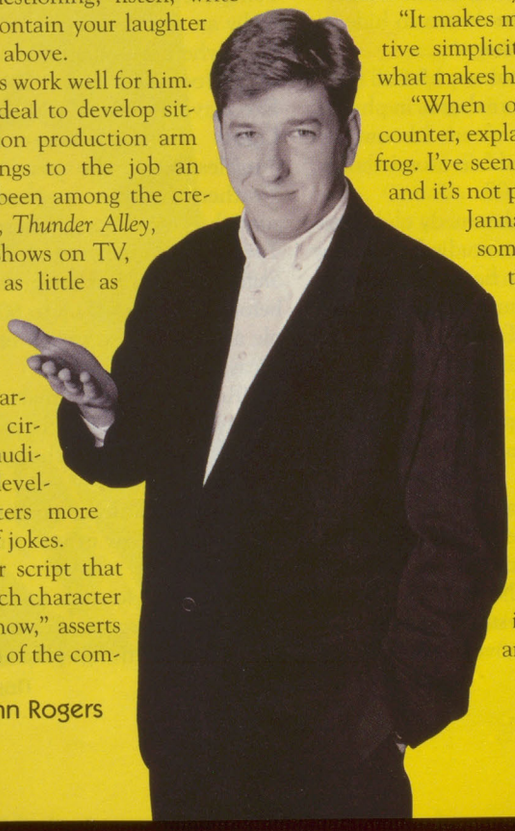
"Unlike stand-up, where the humour comes from crafting a joke," Busgang goes on, 'in a sit-com you're writing about relationships between people."

Neither Busgang nor Blutman miss doing stand-up

"I got tired of the travelling, playing for 15 people, 12 of whom hate you and threeof whom think you're the greatest comedian who ever lived' Blutman claims. "In TV, there's something really powerfulabout 12 million people watching something you wrote."

Busgang is also happy to be off the road, "I got sick of losing my luggage. I knew itwas time to get out when air line food became my meal of choice."

Interestingly, none of these comedy professionals had a satisfactory answer when asked how they know when something is funny. That, in itself, says much about the intangible nature of comedy.



John Rogers

"It makes me laugh," Medjuck responds with deceptive simplicity, but without elaborating on exactly what makes him laugh or why.

"When other people laugh," Nulman would counter, explaining, "For me comedy's like dissecting a frog. I've seen so much of it that I know how it works, and it's not pretty"

Janna hasno idea. "You do the same bit and sometimes the audience loves it, other times they yell, 'Strike one!'"

"Ve've been doing it for 15 years," was Busgang's answer.

Rback was the most expansive on the subject: "I have a mechanism in my brain that tells me when something's funny; I can hear the laughter. I've spent 18 years studying comedy, how to write it; I've trained myself to think about situations in comedic terms. Obviously there's no formula, and anybody who offers one is lying. But you keep testing ideas and searching for the right chemistry and you eventually figure out something

that'll work."

Amidst the toys and mementos in Nulman's office is a plaque bearing a quote from Albert Einstein that may best deal with the question: "Imagination is more important than knowledge." Well, how about imagining this scenario for comedy: Boy goes to university. Boy gets degree. Then, Boy shoots off on a tangent, abandoning all career hopes that his parents ever held for him. Boy ends up firing off jokes in smoke-filled clubs to boozy crowds.

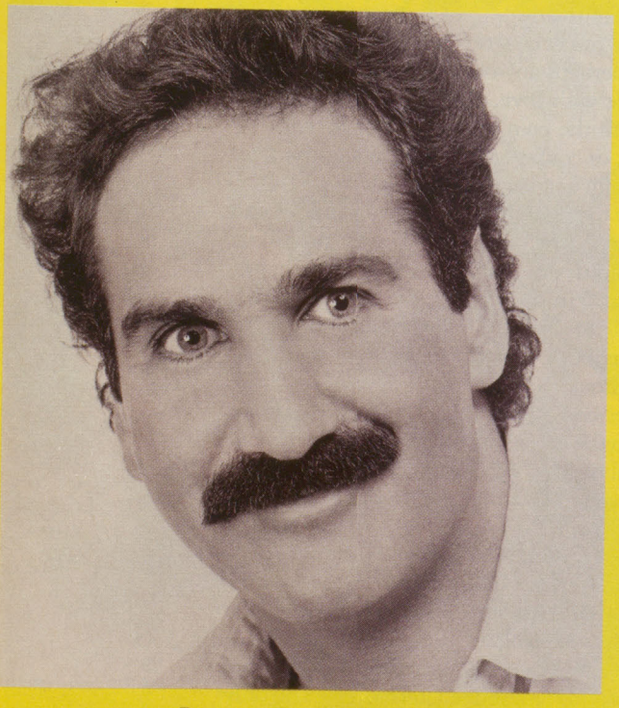
Who wouldn't find that funny?

LUNCH DONE

by Doug Hylton, BA '86

HOLLYWOOD is one of the most interesting places to do business because so much of it is done in restaurants. An entire motion picture or TV series can be packaged over a caesar salad; deals are closed while sipping espresso. It follows that where you dine, and with whom, is vital to your success. You gladly wait for a table for 20 minutes at the right restaurant, but you wouldn't deign to dine at the wrong one. The other evening I hit the jackpot. Not only was I at the right restaurant, but I was with the right company: Billy Riback, BA '75.

Billy Riback is good company in any set of circumstances. But it was particularly exciting to be with him the night before he was pictured on the front pages of both of Hollywood's daily bibles (*The Hollywood Reporter* and *The Daily Variety*), announcing the signing of a multi-year, multi-million dollar deal with TriStar TV. What can you say about a man who has the business acumen and entertainment savvy to be a central figure in such an impressive entertainment venture? I could go on and on about Billy's talent, taste, drive, intelligence, and cool attitude. But I prefer to focus on a deeper, more personal element of this complex man—his eating habits.



Funny guy: Billy Riback

Riback is one of the few men I know who can still order both soup and salad before his main course, and yes, he had both cappuccino and dessert. His desire to tell stories and share humour is as voracious as his appetite. A Renaissance Man of the entertainment industry, he who knows everything about everything relating to TV, films, literature, theatre, comedy; you name it, Billy's got a story or factoid to share about it.

Before we had even cracked the spine of the menu Billy had told me at least half a dozen tales of his past. Some I remember from the article on him in this fine publication of two years past (*McGill News*, Summer 1994), others I recall hearing from friends and associates as part of the gossip that is Hollywood's fuel. He is a self-made success story, and now one of the MOST successful.

His TriStar deal calls for him to single-handedly save the television production arm on the Sony Entertainment conglomerate, and, if his past projects are any indication, he is the perfect choice. The general premise of his deal is to create, develop, write and produce as many TV shows as he can; it is then up to individual network heads to decide which of Billy's shows they want to buy and include as part of their next season's schedule.

A network honcho who once spied him across a crowded power lunch spot (business is business) has become part of Billy Riback folklore for his inability to recognize the whirlwind that Riback is. The honcho congratulated Billy on his success and told him he and his network were looking forward to doing business with him next year. Riback politely thanked him and said he would love to do a show for him, to which the honcho countered with "I was thinking of two shows."

It's laughable, really. Anyone who knows Billy Riback will tell you that three or four is more like it.

WHAT ARE THEY DOING NOW?

Andy Nulman: CEO for the Just for Laughs Festival, which he oversees from his third-floor office at Sherbrooke and Clarke, when not on the lecture circuit.

John Rogers: writing for Cosby, this fall on CBS. His one-man show runs Montreal in October.

Sylvain Larocque: DJ on Montreal's CKOI and a regular in Montreal comedy venues.

Neil Janna: auditioning for the Tonight Show, with Jay Leno.

Joe Medjuck: up-coming productions include Commandments (Fall 1996), Space Jam (November 15, 1996), Howard Stern's Private Parts (February 1997), and Father's Day, starring Robin Williams and Billy Crystal (no release date).

Billy Riback: creator of numerous up-coming TriStar productions.

Howard Busgang and Mark Blutman: Boy Meets World airs Friday nights on ABC.

Ever since Eve held out that shiny apple, the concept of temptation has flirted with the human psyche. Now, a McGill psychologist looks at how people stay committed in the face of temptation.

'TILL FLATTERY DO US PART

by John Bascombe

Illustrations by Chris Lavis

Congrats. You're in love. But just how significant is that "other" of yours? Maybe not as important as you think. If recent research by McGill psychologist John Lydon is any indication, all it takes to put some relationships on the skids is a smile, some flattery and an "attractive alternative." The key isn't always love, but commitment.

Love. More has been written, said and sung about *amour* than perhaps any other topic. It obsesses us. We're in love with love, with the idea of being in love, and with the pain love can bring. When love goes wrong we rush to our nearest therapist, or confess on Oprah. When love goes right, the world is our oyster. All the world loves a lover, as they say.

And so what better topic for a researcher to research? If we say we're in love and that our heart is given "till death do us part," why do we put asunder those holy bonds of matrimony and give in to temptation? Are humans so weak? "Perhaps," says Lydon. "It's a question of commitment." In an experiment entitled "When Temptation Flatters: The Limiting Effect of Flattery on the Devaluation of Alternate Partners," Lydon shows how people can either be lured from their partners by flattery—or can resist temptation through a sense of commitment.

Lydon, a married father of three, believes both behaviourism and pop psychology have fostered certain assumptions or myths about how people behave in relationships and marriage. "Marriage is a social reality," says Lydon. "And social realities are not purely objective. They require you to interpret situations that are often ambiguous."

With a divorce rate of nearly 50 per cent in North America, anyone who has been romantically attached to the same person for a long time is seen as nothing short of a miracle. Threats to "stable" relationships seem rampant. One person becomes unemployed or chronically ill. Or maybe in-laws disrupt the well-being of the relationship. But these difficulties aside, one factor has been identified by social psychologists as being especially dangerous—the "attractive alternative." The only thing that stands between you and him (or her) is commitment.

"I've always been interested n how human commitment operates in the face of adversity' says Lydon, who has been studying commitment for morethan 10 years. "Adversity makes it easier for us to see if a person is truly committed. If I survey a group of newlyweds, tley are likely to say that they are highly committed, but their ommitment may not have been tested yet." So the challenge is to discover just what strategies people use to sty committed since, as anyone knows, there are endlss—and seemingly perfectly valid—reasons to switch partners at the first opportunity and take u with someone who might appear "better." Some of us switch, some of us resist.

The question is, why?

"If we feel touched by tle fact, for instance, that Paul Newman hs spent his entire adult life by Joanne Voodward's side, it's because we think he ould have had anyone he wanted," sas Marta Meana, BA'81, MA'86, BA'91, hD'95, a former advertising executive wh worked with Lydon developing the flattry experiment. "The reason we admire Newman's commitment to his marriage (il we do) is not simply because weimagine many beautiful women round him, but because we imagin they were attracted to him and let im know it."

So what happens when we're faced with attractive alternatives? In previous studies, social psychologists illustrated that committed people employ a strategy known as "devaluation" to defend their relationship. That is, they protect the status quo by finding reasons to lower the desirabilit of the alternative. In a 1989 stdy by American researchers Caryl Rusbult and Dennis Johnson, undergaduates in steady dating relationships wee presented with photos and mock biographical sketches of other undergradu ates purportedly interested in obtaining dates through a computer dating service. Subjects were asked to evaluate the "dating service" candidates. Result? People who were highly committed to their present dating relationship rated their "targets" lower, especially those who posed the greatest threat: the very attractive and the very available.

Lydon reconceptualized the Johnson/ Rusbult experiment which, he said, "examined" moderate threats, in order to take it one step further. His experiment would create a "high" threat condition. "Although being exposed to attractive individuals might be threatening enough to make us 'devalue' them, we suspected that an even greater threat to relationships comes when one of those attractive individuals expresses an interest in us," Lydon says.

In other words, flattery just might get you everywhere.

"There is quite a bit of research to show that we tend to like those who like us," Lydon observes. Once flattery is added to the brew, the situation may escalate since competing motives of relationship maintenance are pitted against the need for self-esteem. "The question we were interested in is— if we're confronted with an attractive, available person who also expresses an interest in us, do we defend our relationship against the threat or do we find the temptation overwhelming and drop our defensive strategies?"

Lydon and Meana devised a computerized dating scheme to evaluate two groups of people—those who were being flattered and those who weren't. In the fall of 1996, 88 alumni (Continuing Education and graduate students) who said they were in serious relationships—either dating or married—were invited to participate in a "computerized dating survey" which, researchers said, would test the validity of such services. In the first session, subjects were photographed and then filled out a questionnaire which asked personality questions and rated the level of commitment to the current partner as either low, moderate or high. They were told the information would be fed into a computer.

In the meantime, Lydon and his graduate students searched for male and female "types" that most subjects would find attractive and interesting, finally settling on the blond, tanned, Californian look. "What can I say?" asks Meana. "There are certain gold standards that seem to work!" After the photos were chosen, subjects were invited back. Unbeknownst to each other, all women

received a photo and biography of the same man, and the men, of the same woman—who was their supposed computer "match." One group was told that the computer had selected their match, while the other was told that *the actual person* had picked them from a group of five people as the most attractive match (thus inducing the flattery state). Subjects were then asked to evaluate their computer match according to how attractive he/she was, and how much time they would like to spend with that person. In addition, they were questioned about how sexually faithful they thought the computer match would be and how they perceived their current relationships.

The results showed a clear distinction between the reactions of those ostensibly selected by a computer (the "non-flattery state") and those who thought they were selected by an attractive person (the "flattery state"). As Lydon suspected, devaluation of the attractive alternative was related to the level of commitment. The "moderately" threatening alternative—presented to those in the "non-flattery" state—was devalued by people who were moderately committed to their relationship. People who were highly committed did not devalue the alternative—that is, they agreed that the match was an attractive individual—as the threat posed simply wasn't significant enough.

However, in the "flattery state," things changed. The moderately committed ceased to devalue the alternative, showing that flattery can indeed weaken one's resolve. But not necessarily. At this point, the highly committed began to devalue the alternative, presumably because the danger was greater. Lydon hypothesizes that flattery is difficult to turn down because it pits the need for a self-esteem boost against the desire for a stable relationship. In the moderately committed, the former prevails; in the highly committed, the relationship wins.

The importance you give to commitment may depend in part on your gender. Women seem to defend their relationships against external threats with greater vigour than men. In a separate study of dating relationships, Lydon found that, according to questionnaire responses, men were less likely to tolerate their partner's negative behaviours when they were led to believe that another attractive woman was single and available. Women responded in the exact opposite fashion. When their commitment was challenged by an available alternative, they were more inclined to accommodate their partner's flaws.

So just what is commitment, and what are its defining features? In an experiment entitled "Coping with Moral Commitment to Long-Distance Dating Relationships," Lydon surveyed 86 incoming McGill students. All came from outside Quebec and were in dating relationships. Lydon wanted to find out if there was more to commitment than a general positive attitude toward a relationship. In other words, in dating relationships, how could he separate satisfaction from commitment (i.e., are you committed only as long as relationship satisfaction is high?).

Lydon tested the differences between enthusiasm and *moral* commitment (a combination of obligation and duty with commitment) in three ways: how enthusiasm and moral commitment related to different features of a close relationship; how enthusiasm and moral commitment related to relationship stability; and how enthusiasm and moral commitment related to distress about relationship break-up. Students responded to three questionnaires—in August, the fall term, and the winter term—designed to measure their moral commitment to their relationships. By Christmas, 50 per cent of the relationships had ended; a hardy 25 per cent survived the full academic year.

"This study helped us to realize that there's more to commitment than just being satisfied with a relationship," notes Lydon. He found that how satisfied people were was *independent* of their commitment. The study also pointed out something no one had really looked at before—that the more commitment there is, the more distress there is on breakup.

"Because of commitment we persist, resist threats, but also experience more distress about loss," says Lydon. "Distress does not result simply because a relationship ends. It results from the ending of a relationship that was a source of meaning, and that created a sense of stability."

Commitment is rather like a two-edged sword. It can sustain relationships through hard times, but on the other hand it can make one vulnerable to exploitation (such as spousal abuse) and to deep loss through bereavement.

"And then," Lydon points out, "there is the question about love versus commitment." For instance, what are the consequences of learning that one's partner is "in love" but isn't committed to you or to the relationship? He notes that when enthusiasm is mistaken for commitment, the failure of a partner to accommodate, sacrifice or provide social support can be especially harmful when expectations were to the contrary.

"Commitment strikes at the core of who we are," says Lydon. "Studying it is exciting because commitment shows what matters to people and how far people will go in order to sustain it. Historically, we could even look at great achievements or disasters—the Vietnam War, for instance—as triumphs or failures of commitment."

According to Lydon, we feel committed to goals, projects or relationships that define who we are—our values, identities and core beliefs. It becomes the standard that guides our lives: a process that can go wrong, but which we can hardly do without.

That's something to consider when that drop-dead gorgeous stranger smiles our way.

John Bascombe is a writer living in Toronto.

"AN ATTRACTIVE ALTERNATIVE PITS THE NEED FOR SELF-ESTEEM AGAINST THE DESIRE TO BE COMMITTED."

McGill L'Unique

Grâce à tous les volontaires, la campagne de McGill connaît un succès retentissant et bat un record

L'enseignement, la recherche, les bibliothèques et la vie étudiante seront les principaux bénéficiaires de la campagne de souscription du fonds McGill pour le vingt et unième siècle qui a dépassé son objectif de 200 millions de dollars. Cet exploit remarquable attribuable aux efforts de plus de 1000 volontaires, a été annoncé le 27 mai par M. Bernard Shapiro, principal de l'Université, M. Richard Pound, président du Conseil des gouverneurs, et M. John Cleghorn, président de la campagne à une réception organisée à l'intention des volontaires dans la salle Redpath sur le campus du centre-ville de McGill.
La chancelière, Mme. Gretta Chambers, a salué l'extraordinaire travail de tous les volontaires.

"Ce succès retentissant symbolise le partenariat vital entre tous les secteurs de la société pour contribuer à promouvoir l'enseignement supérieur" a fait observer M. Shapiro. "À l'instar des universités de tout le Canada, McGill est aux prises avec de sérieuses difficultés budgétaires, imputables à la baisse du financement public. L'Université pâtit également d'un déficit cumulé dû au sous-financement public systématique qui a marqué les années 1980, qu'elle s'efforce de résorber lentement. Les campagnes de ce type ne serve pas à régler les factures de chauffage et d'électricité et à couvrir d'autres charges de fonctionnement, mais elles contribuent à faire un bond en avant qui rend possibles de nouvelles initiatives."

Au voleur : Patty Cleghorn, John Cleghorn, et Dick Pound se sauvent avec une chaise représentant la nouvelle chaire d'enseignement de la faculté de gestion baptisée du nom de John Cleghorn

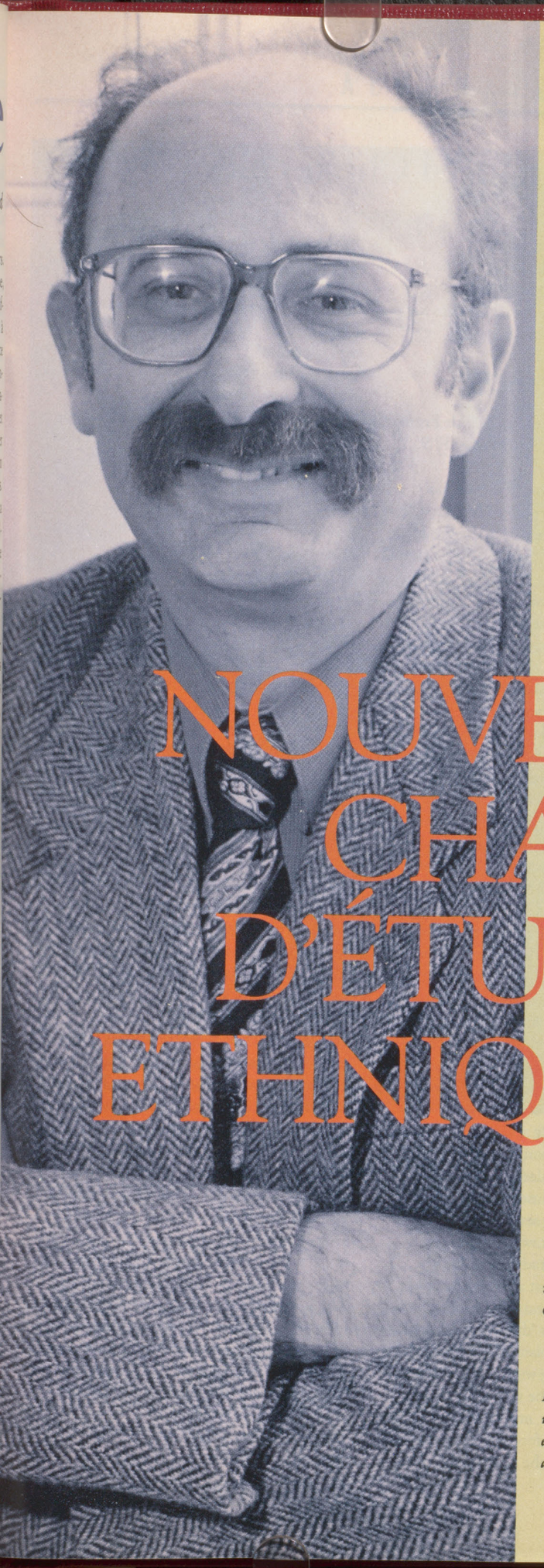
M. Shapiro n'a pas manqué de reconnaitre le rôle crucial joué par son prédécesseur, M. David Johnston, qui a lancé la campagne, et il a exprimé la profonde reconnaissance de l'Université à tous ceux qui ont contribué à ce succès sans précédent dans toute l'histoire des universités canadiennes. "Nos volontaires se sont donnés corps et âme à cette campagne, tous autant qu'ils sont (1,267), sous la direction d'un remarquable président de campagne", a-t-il ajouté. L'équipe de volontaires était en effet dirigée par M. John Cleghorn, président et chef de la direction de la Banque Royale du Canada, moyennant l'appui de chefs d'entreprises et de leaders communautaires. Parmi les nombreux volontaires qui ont contribué au succès de cette campagne, il faut mentionner des membres du corps enseignant et du personnel administratif, des étudiants, des diplômés, et des amis sur le campus et dans le monde entier. À Hong Kong, par example, l'un des 19 centres urbains ayant participé à cette campagne, les efforts exceptionnels déployés par les volontaires ont permis de recueillir plus de 12 millions de dollars.

À la réception qui marque l'aboutissement de la campagne, les membres de McGill ont surtout parlé de l'importante différence que font les dons privés. Irene Bloemraad, étudiante à la faculté des arts, a attiré l'attention du public sur l'importance des bourses d'études et de recherche (la campagne a permis d'instituer ou de raffermir 151 bourses d'étudiante). L'historien canadien, M. Desmond Morton, a personellement remercié M. et Mme. Charles Bronfman de leur generosité qui a permis de créer l'Institut d'études canadiennes de McGill, grand forum où l'on débat des questions nationales. Enfin, M. John Dealy, doyen de la faculté de génie, a parlé du pavillon M.H. Wong (génie chimique et sciences des matériaux), le premier édifice en cours de construction sur le campus depuis 20 ans.

À la réception de la salle Redpath, des expositions bigarrées ont permis d'admirer les autres réalisations de la campagne, comme le nouveau complexe sportif qui double les installations sportives de McGill, est accesible aux habitants du quartier et accueille toutes sortes de manifestations sportives internationales, sans oublier le projet d'informatique médicale, qui est un systeme évolué d'enseignement de la médicine où McGill assume un rôle de leader.

Le président du Conseil des gouverneurs de McGill, M. Richard Pound, a personnellement rendu homage à John Cleghorn en déclarant notamment que l'objectif de cette campagne constitue un important jalon. "Et grâce à votre dynamisme et à votre enthousiasme, nous avons atteint notre but en dépit d'une économie mouvante et d'un climat politique incertain", a t'il déclaré.

Dans ses propos de clôture, John Cleghorn a parlé de l'extraordinaire soutien de la communauté de campus. "McGill peut s'estimer heureuse d'avoir autant de membres qui ont à coeur l'avenir de l'Université et qui ont pris l'engagement d'assurer la survie de cet etablissement d'envergure mondiale" a-t-il affirmé. "Que peut-on espérer de mieux qu'un corps enseignant et un effectif administratif qui a versé plus de 4 millions de dollars et d'un effectif étudiant qui a promis 9 millions de dollars supplémentaires!" Et pour conclure, il a eu ces mots: "McGill ne peut rester statique, elle doit continuer d'exceller et les gens du monde entier reconnaissent les efforts de cette communauté ici même a Montréal. C'est ce qui a rendu la direction de cette campagne si passionnante et si attrayante."



NOUVELLE CHAIRE D'ÉTUDES ETHNIQUES

La Secrétaire d'État (Multiculturalisme), Mme. Hedy Fry, a assisté à l'inauguration de la chaire d'études ethniques canadiennes de McGill le lundi 27 mai 1996. C'est le professeur Morton Weinfeld qui occupera cette chaire et qui coordonnera les activités d'enseignement et de recherche s'y rapportant. Expert en relations ethniques et raciales au département de sociologie de McGill, le professeur Weinfeld est fréquemment consulté sur les questions d'intérêt public; il dirigera le programme d'études ethniques canadiennes placé sous l'égide de l'Institut d'études canadiennes de McGill, lui-même dirigé par l'historien Desmond Morton.

Selon Mme. Fry, "Le gouvernement ne peut à lui seul encourager le respect, favoriser les relations transculturelles et faire disparaître le racisme. Nous avons besoin de partenaires influents et McGill est la preuve vivante de l'efficacité de ce genre de partenariat."

"Sous la direction de professeur Weinfeld, le programme annoncé aujourd'hui servira de lien important avec les nombreuses unités de McGill qui étudient directement et indirectement les questions relatives aux minorités et à l'immigration, le racisme, le multiculturalisme et les politiques gouvernementales", fait observer le principal de McGill, M. Bernard Shapiro. "Par exemple, le consortium de formation sur la défense des droits humains de McGill qui regroupe des chercheurs de l'École de service social et de la faculté de droit, ainsi que le programme d'études ethniques canadiennes peuvent raffermir les collaborations qui existent déjà et en stimuler d'autres."

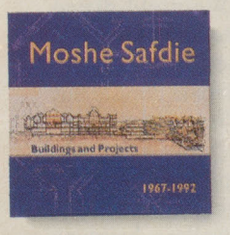
Parmi ses nombreuses activités, M. Weinfeld dirige également l'équipe de McGill du Projet Metropolis, initiative internationale dont le but est d'étudier l'impact de l'immigration sur les villes du monde entier. L'équipe cherche également à comprendre la signification du statut d'immigrant, les difficultés a auquelles se heurtent les nouveaux venus et leur influence sur la communauté. La prestation de services publics à des populations diverses constitue un autre axe des recherches du professeur Weinfeld. Parmi les thèmes des études de cas en cours, il faut mentionner les agents de police appartenant à des minorités visibles en Ontario et les professeurs d'origine haïtienne à Montréal.

Professeur Morton Weinfeld, un Sociologue de McGill, est nommé à la tête du programme d'études ethniques canadiennes.

Architecture, Safdie, and Red China Follies

Moshe Safdie, Buildings and Projects 1967-1992, *McGill-Queen's Press*, 1996, editor: Irena Zantovská Murray, paperback book with CD-ROM.

Une ressource précieuse: l'inventaire du Fonds Moshe-Safdie, BArch'61, LLD'82, qui contient une foule de documents variés illustrant la pratique de l'un des architectes canadiens contemporains les plus renommés et les plus prolifiques. La Collection d'architecture canadienne de l'Université McGill a réagi avec une extrême célérité et une expertise incontestable acquise un prix de nombreuses années d'expérience dans la conservation et le traitement des archives. Une guide du Fonds acquis il y a moins de six ans vient de sortir aux Presses universitaires McGill-Queen's, et il s'agit d'un outil précieux édité sous la direction d'Irena Z. Murray, conservatrice de la CAC. Ce guide s'inspire des guides publiés au préalable en étant plus étoffé du fait du plus grand nombre de données de base et de la multiplication des modes d'accès. Deux textes introduisent l'inventaire, un premier de nature plus autobiographique rédigé dans un ton assez personnel par le professeur John Bland (qui était directeur de l'École d'architecture de McGill alors que Safdie terminait brillamment ses études en 1961), et un deuxième de la plume du professeur Robert M. Oxman de Jérusalem sur l'oeuvre de l'architecte dont la position entre le modernisme et le post-modernisme l'Amérique du Nord et le Moyen-Orient est particulièrement intéressante. Par ailleurs, les cent quinze projets conçus entre 1967 et 1992 ne sont pas seulement énumérés, ils sont résumés et mêmes illustrés, ce qui facilite grandement le premier contact avec ce document archivistique. Bien sûr, les documents sont inventoriés, certes de façon plutôt succinte, mais en précisant néanmoins leur nature en regard du stade d'élaboration du projet auquel ils correspondent. Si une riche bibliographie complète l'ensemble, on peut peut-être regretter l'absence de données biographiques ou professionelles synthèse facilement accessibles. Par ailleurs, au support papier dont le graphisme est simple, encore que soigné et clair, s'ajoute un CD-ROM et un accès à l'Internet. Ce guide de conception rigoureuse et attrayante ne manquera pas de motiver les recherches sur l'architecture canadienne.



France Vanlaethem
Professeur, Département de Design

Red China Blues: My Long March From Mao to Now, *Doubleday*, 1996, $32.95, by *Jan Wong, BA'74*.

William Blake thought that *if the fool would persist in his folly, he would become wise*. Jan Wong's book *Red China Blues* seems to bear Blake out. It details her transformation from a credulous teenage Maoist to an inspired middle-aged China correspondent in a morality tale for our times. It tells a story of self-discovery that emerges out of two crises of modern China. First, there is Wong's sojourn in High Communist China from 1973 to 1980 as deluded acolyte; then there is her stint from 1988 to 1994 as *The Globe and Mail's* most memorable China hand.

Wong's work as a foreign correspondent was journalism of a kind rare in Canada. It earned Wong a place among those journalists whose dedication to their stories truly transforms a reader's understanding. And Wong's subject – China after Tiananmen – was very striking indeed.

Many who followed Wong's reports through her posting to Beijing wondered about the deeper experience on which they drew. For behind her professionalism and investigative skills, something else was going on. Something was at stake, something substantial, many-sided and complex. Now with *Red China Blues*, Wong tells us what that something was. It was her life.

Jan Wong risked life and liberty in China for the sake of more than copy. She drove herself into the forbidden zones of the Middle Kingdom because making sense of her life meant making sense of post-Tiananmen China. Drawn to China by a tangle of sophomoric radicalism, family history, reaction against a bourgeois father, minority alienation, and open-eyed adventurousness, Wong was "duped, conned, [and] suckered by [the] Maoism" she embraced. The revolution Wong wanted to love and uphold turned out to be wild with its own xenophobia, paranoia, and cruelty.

As one of the first foreigners allowed to study in China since the Cultural Revolution began, Wong was treated like a dangerous subversive. Premier Zhou En Lai monitored the dossiers of Wong and her American classmate, and only high-level diplomatic intervention prevented her from being expelled when her candour offended her hosts' sensibilities. Wong participated in zealous re-enactments of the Red Army's Long March and in reform through labour campaigns. She is now ashamed she also informed on those few people who, with "dumb Chinese candour," did not suspect that a foreigner could possibly be a true believer and who begged Wong to help them escape totalitarian China.

Her growing misgivings about totalitarianism remained unarticulated while, back in the U.S. and Canada, Wong learned the journalist's trade. When she returned to Beijing after a seven-year absence, it took Wong several months to adjust to a fast-changing China. In retrospect it is clear that she often misjudged the new realities of the country, flubbing stories on dissidents particularly badly. Fortunately, Wong was hitting her stride as a correspondent just as the Tiananmen Crisis erupted telegenically into the world's consciousness. The account in *Red China Blues* of the giddy utopianism of the Democracy Movement and its brutal suppression is unsurpassed and, in the face of persistent government lies about Tiananmen, of permanent importance. Wong is, arguably, the most significant China correspondent writing in English in the world.

Like the motives that first drew her to China, the sources of Wong's journalistic vision through this period were complex: anger, atonement, compassion, outrage, love, hope, a thirst for truth. *Red China Blues* is a tale of personal and political revolution which makes one marvel and weep at human folly and at China. For this moving memoir of her geo-political odyssey, as for her years as a ground-breaking foreign correspondent, Wong deserves the gratitude her many readers have shown her.

Douglas Brown, BEd'89, MA'90
Teacher, John Abbott College

Left: Three doctors we: Dr. Michael Szikman, BSc'66, DDS'68, Dr. Victor Lui, BSc'67, MD'71, and Dr. Manuel Fineman, BSc'41, PhD'44 chat it up at the Atlanta branch event

Below: Branch Leader Heidi Broun Allardyce, BA'79 (Atlanta), Richard Pound, BCom'62, BCL'67, and Dr. Jay Spector, BA'86

Atlanta Branch is Revived

by Janice Paskey

It was Atlanta's "can-do" attitude that helped win its bid for the '96 Olympics, Richard Pound, International Olympic Committee Vice-President, told some 55 McGill graduates in Atlanta on May 20. It was also the "can-do" attitude of new Atlanta branch leader Heidi (Broun) Allardyce, BA'79, who revived the Atlanta branch with a perfect pre-Olympic event, the first event for the branch in 12 years. Alumni braved traffic and record high temperatures to attend a reception and buffet at the Canadian Consulate in the downtown CNN building where Richard Pound gave the inside scoop on McGill and on the Olympics to an inquisitive audience. Pound mentioned McGill's recent success in its $200 million campaign, the IOC's attempt to keep commercialism out of the playing fields, and Atlanta's original claim that "the average summer temperature is 70 degrees." (Fahrenheit.) It was already 95 degrees that day with 100-plus temperatures promised.

Many of the graduates were former Montrealers such as Heidi and Gary Allardyce, BEng'74, who have lived in Atlanta for eight years.

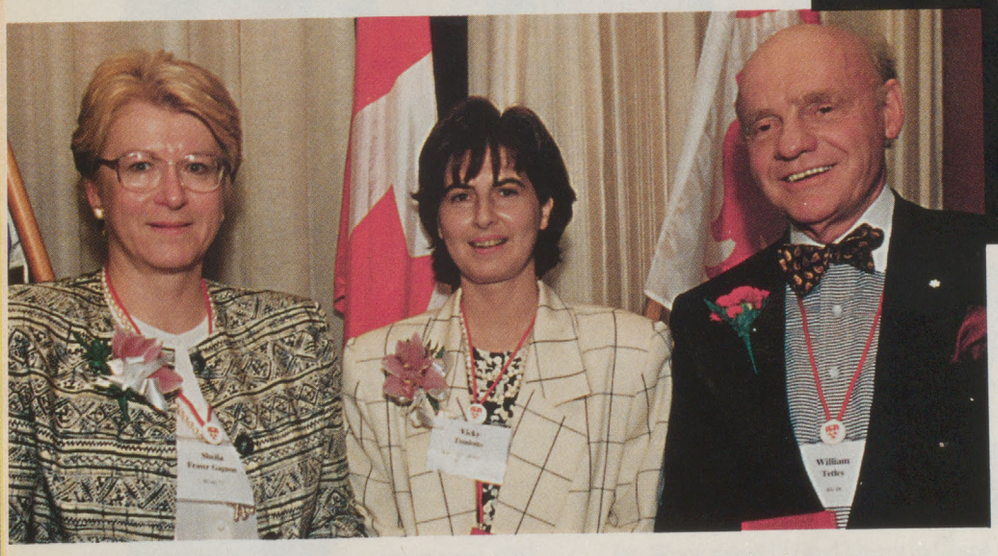
Helping to organize the event were podiatrists Dr. Jay Spector, BA'86, and Dr. Meryl Stein, BSc'84, attorneys Terrence Williams, BA'88 (originally from Rhode Island, he attended law school at Emory), Jane Kamenz, BA'79, corporate counsel with Coca Cola (and formerly with McMaster Meighen in Montreal), real estate developer Howard Rothman, BEng'58, and architect James O'Brien, BEng'86. The Canadian Consulate gave full support and was in full Olympic swing, a switch from its original role: to feed information to Toronto about Atlanta's bid. The Consul, Allen Stewart, attended the entire event as did embassy officers Judith Costello and Mary-Jane King. From McGill, there was myself and Marie Lizotte, Director of Planned Giving.

McGill Alumni Association Awards Dinner

St. James Club, June 20, 1996

Above: James Robb, BA'51, BCL'54, President of the Alumni Association, presents the Award of Merit to Margaret Davidson, BCom'52.

Below: John Cleghorn, BCom'62, Chairman and CEO of the Royal Bank of Canada and Chairman of the McGill Twenty-First Century Fund receives the McGill Alumni Association Award of Merit from Gail Johnson, BA'63, outgoing president of the Alumni Association.



Left: Distinguished Service Awards went to Sheila Fraser Gagnon, BCom'72, Past Branch President, Quebec City, Vicky Tumiotto, BCom'81, Royal Bank of Canada, former President of the Young Alumni Association, and William Tetley, BA'48, McGill Professor of Law.

Right: Student Award Winners were Jennifer Wilson, BA'97, President of the Student Organization of Alumni Relations, Richard Harris, BA'96, a Quebec University Rugby League All-Star; Melanie Rutledge, BA'96, Co-Editor of The Pillar, and Editorial Assistant with the McGill News; Helena Myers, BA'97, Past President of the Student's Society; Peter Mazoff, BCom'96; Eleanor Balders, BA'96, VP University Relations, VP Administration/ Student Services. Absent was Philippe Prevost, MA'89, PhD'96, President of the International Student's Association

MONTREAL

Bordeaux frivolity: Members of McGill Young Alumni enjoy a fine glass of bordeaux at the 4th International Wine Tasting Event. Left to right: Costa Adamopoulos, DipPubAcct.'89; Christina Lebesis; Larry Onions, BA'87, MA'94; Karla Macdonald, BEd'92, Cert(PR)'96; Karen Indig, BA'87; Michael Beigleman, BSc'84, Cert(PR)'94; Francis Lapenna, DipTax'94; Mr. X; Tina Apfeld, BCom'90; Martin Rosenthal, BSc'87, DipPubAcct'89.

Alumni Branch Leader's Weekend

Left, on Prince Arthur: Andrea Parent, BEd'90 (Quebec City); Tom Baldwin, BCom'91 (New York); Anton Angelich, BSc'73 (New York); Heidi Broun Allardyce, BA'79 (Atlanta); Glenn Casbourne, BEng'80 (Chicago)

Right: Seth Katz, BA'83, (Boston) hams it up with Natali Tremblay, BA'91 (Portland).

SAN FRANCISCO:

Dr. David Holbrooke, BSc'44, MD'69, Dr. John Hendry, MD'70, Dr. Christine Spring, MD'68, Dean Abraham Fuks, BSc'68, MD'70, Dr. David Spring, MD'70

Oliver Jones, DMus'95, imagines days gone by

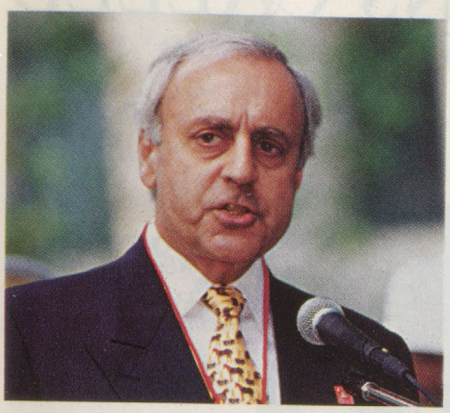
Canadian Astronaut, Julie Payette, BEng'86, tries on some new garb

Charles Perrault, BEng'43, MEng'46, was the Honorary Grand Marshall

McGILL 175TH GARDEN PARTY

Nicholas Morin

Is this in the job description? Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, squires Chancellor Gretta Chambers, BA'47; costumes by Kim Boucher



Alex Kalil of the McGill Associates speaks highly of the new James McGill statue

Big Man on Campus: The new statue of James McGill

The rain stopped, the sun burst from the skies, and some 4,000 graduates and their parents streamed onto the lower campus for the 175th Garden Party. Costumière Kim Boucher of *À L'Occasion* in Pointe Claire Village custom made period costume for several of McGill's most senior officials, who were carried gleefully in buggy and coach onto the campus. Cricketeer Hugh Brodie, BA'80, led a game on the lower lawn, while children were enchanted by pigs and animals from MacDonald Campus escorted by Farm Director Denis Hatcher, DipAgr'70. The new statue of James McGill (right) was unveiled with much pomp and circumstance. The Organizing Committee was comprised of young alumni: Daniel Holland, BA'94, Karla Macdonald, BEd'92, Cert(PR)'96, Hugh Brodie, Keith Gallop, Terri Leblanc, Stephen Lloyd, BCL'93, LLB'93, Sally McDougall, BSc'68, Santo Manna, BEng'91, BCL'95, and Benoit Morel, BCL'94, LLB'94.

Lucienne Robillard, Liberal party minister for St. Henri Westmount, delivers a few words of praise for McGill's 175th

COMING EVENTS

- **September 20-22, Montreal:** The 175th Anniversary Open House extravaganza! McGill Lower Campus. Friday Sept. 20: Opening Ceremonies at 10:30 am. Events run until 9 pm; Saturday Sept. 21: Events running from 10:30 am to 10:00 pm, including an evening jazz concert featuring Montreal's Biddle family; Sunday Sept. 22: Events running from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm. A highlight will be the Principal's Reception, 1-3 pm. Call (514) 398-5874, or visit the web site: www.mcgill.ca/news.html
- **September 21, Atlanta:** Come out to the Ballgame! Braves vs. Expos. Call Heidi Allardyce, (770) 552-8631.
- **October 17, Vancouver:** Montreal Style Buffet with special guest speaker Richard W. Pound. Contact Bryan Haynes, (604) 685-3456.
- **October 17, Victoria:** Luncheon with Richard W. Pound, at the Dunsmuir Lodge. Contact Norman Goodwin, (604) 595-0757.
- **October 26, Oakville/ Halton/ Wentworth:** Harvest Celebration Luncheon. Repeat performance at Vineland Estates. Guest speaker Tom Thompson (Deputy Director, Development). Contact Paul Marchand, (905) 847-7221.
- **November 3, Montreal:** Gala Concert with The McGill Symphony Orchestra & Montreal Symphony Orchestra performing together in special tribute to McGill's 175th anniversary. Charles Dutoit & Timothy Vernon will conduct. Place des Arts, Salle Wilfred Pelletier, 5:00 pm. Tickets $45, $30 & $15 (tax & service incl.). Contact the box office, (514) 842-9951 (MSO). Gala tickets including dinner after the concert are also available at $275 to benefit the McGill Faculty of Music Scholarship Fund. Call (514) 398-4538.
- **November 12, Tokyo:** Event with Prinicipal Shapiro. Contact Karen Diaz by email: karend@martlet1.lan.mcgill.ca After September 9 contact Dr. Ikawa-Smith c/o School of Sociology, Kwansei Gakuin University, Fax: 0798-51-0955.
- **November 30, Toronto:** Vanier Cup. Reception at the ACME Bar & Grill. Contact Mary Usher Jones, (416) 485-9421.
- **December 7, Oakville/ Halton/ Wentworth:** Nutcracker Ballet, Oakville Centre, afternoon performance. Contact Paul Marchand (905), 847-7221.
- **December 11, Toronto:** Holiday Party with Guest Speaker Professor Desmond Morton and special guest Jim Robb, President of the McGill Alumni Association. Contact Mary Usher Jones, (416) 485-9421.

WHEN OUR VETERANS CALLED McGILL "*Home*"

W. Keith Buck, BEng'50, MSc'51, clearly recalls his arrival in Montreal on a cold January day in 1947. Buck, an Ontario resident, had only recently returned from World War II service with the Canadian armed forces in England. Not long before, he had married Muriel, a childhood acquaintance whom he had met again overseas. Now he and Muriel were embarking on another adventure: studying, and living, at McGill in the University's special program for returning veterans. For the Bucks and many others, life in McGill's Peterson residence is an experience recalled with fondness nearly fifty years after the fact.

Keith, BEng'50, MSc'51, and Muriel Buck on their wedding day

The Bucks on their 50th anniversary

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"We walked from the station into the snow," and continued on to the residence, Buck recalls. The converted Royal Canadian Air Force barracks in Lachine, Quebec, near Montreal looked nothing like the hallowed grounds of some schools in the country Keith and Muriel had just left. "[We] had been thinking of British institutions like Cambridge and Oxford. This was quite different."

Buck and other veterans were grateful for their living arrangements nonetheless. Their university tuition was free—subsidized by the federal government—but accommodations in post-war urban Canada were costly. Even with free tuition, many veterans would have had difficulty attending McGill full time. He and his wife could have managed without the program, Buck says, "but it would have seriously depleted my modest war-time savings."

Finding accommodation for veterans was a pressing issue. Largely because of their presence, McGill's student ranks had swelled from a pre-war 3,275 to 8,237 for the 1946-47 session (the student body was never again to fall below 6,500).

MAKING A BARRACK A HOME

To provide low-rent housing, five RCAF barracks had been transformed into sets of apartments housing married couples with and without children (by the spring of 1947, McGill was providing living accommodation for 3,215 people in Lachine, Montreal, Ste. Anne de Bellevue and St. Jean). These "H Huts" were not exactly the height of luxury—the Bucks rescued some furniture from a snowbank, and their beds were army camp cots—but to those who had endured a harsher life in wartime England, they were quite reasonable. As another resident, L.A.A. Harding, BA'47, wrote in a 1948 *McGill News* article, "After coal-rationed England it was pleasant merely to turn the knob on the radiator and have a warm room in a few minutes."

Residents found their own ways to make this somewhat "spartan" environment more pleasant. The Bucks, for example, turned salvaged wood storage boxes into upright storage cabinets, made curtains from "rough weave parchment coloured monk's cloth from Morgan's Quebec Shop" and bookshelves from boards and red bricks.

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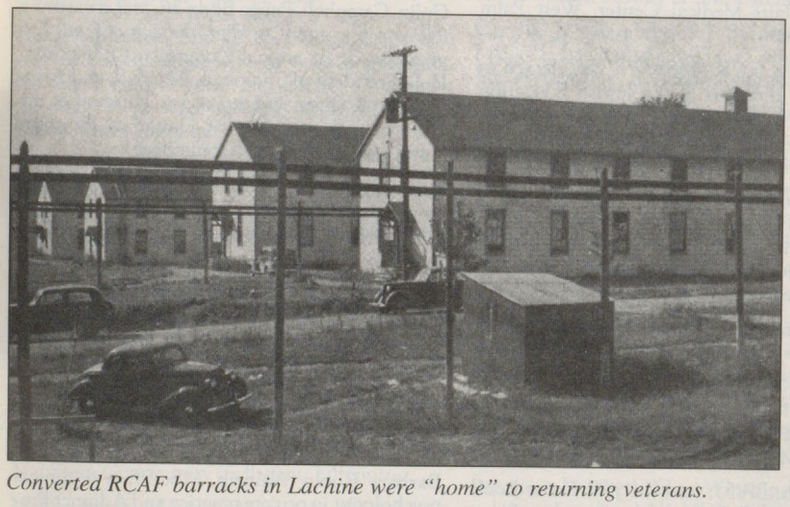
Life was made more enjoyable by the fact that people got along well, Keith Buck says: "In the close quarters of study and daily living at Peterson residences, there was nearly always counsel and support available, during periods of difficulty, from the extended Residences family. Friendships made at Peterson... have, in many instances, continued throughout the years..."

McGill Principal F. Cyril James greets returning veterans in 1945.



Converted RCAF barracks in Lachine were "home" to returning veterans.

STUDYING—A FULL-TIME JOB

Muriel Buck was one of the small number of wives who held down jobs—most stayed at home with their children. Their husbands—mainly enrolled in Medicine or Engineering, but also in Arts, Science, Law, Commerce and Dentistry—concentrated on studying. These veterans, older than the average student and grateful for the chance to resume their schooling, were "serious, mature and well-motivated" Buck says—though that didn't exclude "post-exam relaxation and partying" at the Christmas and Easter breaks. Engineering students like Buck, however, had to try to get—and hold—their noses to the grindstone during such holidays, since their exams took place after the holiday breaks.

Peterson residences closed in May of 1950, the year Keith Buck graduated. He later returned to McGill to accept the James Douglas Fellowship and embark on a Master's Degree in Economic Geology. Buck went on to the federal ministry that later became Energy, Mines and Resources, heading up a group working on mineral resource, engineering and economics policy. Later in his career, he directed the secretariat of a United Nations body, the International Lead and Zinc Study Group, comprised of 33 member nations. His son, Malcolm, was also awarded the James Douglas Fellowship, in 1984, thirty-four years after his father.

In the mid-1950s, Muriel was the Executive Secretary of the Japanese Government Overseas Agency, an organization that worked to renew Canada-Japan relations. She was later very active in volunteer work both in Manotik, Ont., where the Bucks have made their home for most of the post-war period, and in London, England, when they moved there for Keith's U.N. work.

Today, the Bucks, who have two children, are retired. They look back on the Peterson life with gratitude for the "supportive environment" and educational opportunity it provided—and with fondness, for the friendships and camaraderie they enjoyed.

Keith Buck has decided to express that gratitude in his will and has been recgnized by the McGill 1821 Society for his generosity. "It was a desire to make some return to McGill," he says, "in appreciation of the manner in which the University had planned for and accommodated married veteran students at the conclusion of World War II, that I made a provision in my will, for a bequest to the University."

REMEMBERING MCGILL

Gifts such as Keith Buck's advance McGill's mission through teaching, scholarship and service to the community.

If you would like information regarding bequests and planned giving to McGill, please contact:

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Please contact Marie Lizotte if you would like to share your memories of postwar life at McGill. We will try to publish some of these reminiscences in a subsequent *McGill News*.

THE '30s

Harry Mayerovitch, BA'30, BArch'33, BEng'33, retired from private architectural practice in 1990. His eighth book, *How Architecture Speaks and Fashions our Lives*, was recently published by Robert Davies Publishing. He lives in Westmount and is working on his first children's book.

Sarah F. Orkin, BHS'30, recently published a book about her family entitled *Roots and Recollections*. Since retiring she has lived with her husband, **Philip A. Orkin,** BSc'48, in London, England. They have two sons and five grandchildren.

Dr. Michael Aronovitch, BSc(Arts)'31, MD'35, is retired and lives in a Toronto suburb. He continues to explore various stock market ventures.

Maxwell M. Kalman, BArch'31, celebrates his 90th birthday this year. He is an active member of the Ottawa chapter of the McGill Alumni Association and a supporter of the School of Architecture Centenary Anniversary for this autumn.

Emmett J. Folgert, DDS'39, helped co-ordinate the Fifth District Dental Society of St. Lawrence County of Massena's commemoration of the 50th anniversary of communal water fluoridation. He was a member of the team which initially convinced the community to treat the water supply.

Christiane Dosne Pasqualini, BSc'39, PhD'42, lives in Buenos Aires and has been a member of the Editorial Board of MEDICINA since 1967. In 1991 she was the first woman to be elected Council Member of IUIS (International Union of Immunological Societies) and in 1995 was awarded the Noel Foundation Award. She has been married 51 years and has 5 children and 17 grandchildren.

THE '40s

Dr. Wilfred W. McCutcheon, BSc'42, received an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, LLD, from Concordia University in June.

Ida (Walsh) Plaskett, BA'43, was awarded a 1996 Arbor Award in recognition of her "Outstanding Volunteer Service to the University of Toronto." She was President of *Later Life Learning*, a lecture and discussion program for retirees, for two years. She and her husband have also organized exchanges between French and English Quebecers and members of their own congregation in Toronto.

Gretta Chambers, BA'47, became a member of the Académie des Grands Montréalais in June. She is Chancellor of McGill University.

Gerald S. Charness, BSc'47, is a gerontologist and was appointed Research Associate at the Southeast Florida International University and chairperson of the Advisory Council of the Elders Institute. He lives in Aventura, Florida.

Douglas Waugh, MSc'48, PhD'50, edited, with his wife Sheila, the recently published history of a family of Westmount doctors, *The Gurds, The Montreal General and McGill*, written by the late Dr. Fraser Gurd.

E. Leo Kolber, BA'49, BCL'52, received an honorary doctorate from the faculty of commerce and administration at Concordia University in recognition of his cultural and philanthropic activities.

THE '50s

Michael Cain, BA'50, BCL'53, was recently presented with the Medal of Honour of the Quebec Bar by Premier Lucien Bouchard, who articled for him after his first year at Laval University.

Brian Potter, MD'50, has been appointed Dermatology Section Chief at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Roslyn Wolfe, BA'50, MSW'71, was elected to the board of directors of the Jewish Education Service of North America, and she recently served as co-chair of Federation CJA's Mission 1996 to Israel. She resides in Westmount.

Charles Bronfman, Arts'52, LLD'90, and his wife Andrea received the Center for Learning and Leadership Yisrael Award on May 1, in New York, N.Y., in recognition of their joint leadership in the Jewish community.

Andrew Poznansky, BSc'52, received the Gold Medal of the Society for Pediatric Radiology. In October he was elected an honorary member of the Polish Radiologic Society.

Edward O. Phillips, BA'53, is publishing a new novel, *The Mice Will Play*, in September.

Denis Smith, BA'53, won the J.W. Dafoe Book Prize and the U.B.C. Medal for Canadian Biography for his latest book, *Rogue Tory: The Life and Legend of John F. Diefenbaker*. It was also shortlisted for the 1995 Trillium Book Award.

Colin A. MacAulay, BEng'54, MEng'55, retires from his position as CEO of Rio Algom Ltd. in December 1996.

Brian MacDonald, BA'54, is directing Meredith Willson's 1957 Broadway musical, *The Music Man*, for the 1996 Stratford Festival in Stratford, Ontario. This is his last production for Stratford; he plans to work on a couple of books, as well as on various other directing and overseeing projects.

George Petty, BCom'54, DipMgmt'59, Chairperson and CEO of Repap Enterprises Inc., received a Doctor of Laws *honoris causa* from the University of New Brunswick in May.

Mansfield H. Brock, Jr., BSc'55, was appointed Chairman of the Board of C.S.T. Consultants, Inc. in May.

Blema S. Steinberg, BA'55, MA'57, PhD'61, a McGill Associate Professor of Political Science and a practising psychoanalyst, has written *Shame and Humiliation: Presidential Decision Making on Vietnam*, published by McGill-Queen's University Press and by the University of Pittsburgh Press.

Colin Campbell Peng, BEng'56, was awarded a fellowship in the Canadian Society of Civil Engineering at its annual Congress in Edmonton. He is President of Campbell, Woodall, and Associates in Calgary, and serves as Chairman of the Engineering Institute of Canada's Honours Awards and Fellowship Committee.

Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Yeshiva University in New York City in June.

Harold Shapiro, BCom'56, LLD'88, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Yeshiva University in New York City in June.

Stanley H. Hartt, BA'58, MA'61, BCL'63, has been appointed a Director of Beatrice Foods Inc. He lives in Toronto.

Barbara Rubin Wainrib, MSc'59, is a clinical psychologist in private practice and Adjunct Professor at McGill's Department of Educational and Counselling Psychology. Her research on the traumatic impact of the Quebec sovereignty referendum on Quebec anglophones has been quoted in such Canadian and international publications as *Maclean's*, *Psychology Today*, *Harper's*, *The Washington Post*, and *The International Herald Tribune*. She was recently in South Africa as a member of an international delegation of specialists in post traumatic stress. Her latest book, *Prostate Cancer: A Guide for Women and the Men They Love*, was published in May.

THE '60s

Tom Leung, BEng'60, is President of the Montreal Chinese Community Council and Chairman of the Chinatown Development Advisory Board. He is planning to establish a cultural centre in Chinatown.

Hiroaki Watanabe, BSc'60, MD'64, has been appointed President and CEO of Toyota Motor Manufacturing Canada Inc.

Peter G. White, BA'60, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of Southam Inc.

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Thomas E. Kierans, BA'61, has been elected a Director and Chairman of the Board at Petro-Canada.

Henry Mintzberg, BEng'61, has been active in the development of the International Master's Program in Management at McGill. The program involves setting up study and exchange programs for experienced managers.

Moshe Safdie, BArch'61, LLD'82, was in Montreal in April to launch his new book, *Moshe Safdie: Buildings and Projects 1967-1992*, published by McGill-Queen's University Press.

Margaret Springer, BA'61, has been a freelance writer since 1982. She will have a junior novel, *Tutty Kumpf*, published by Penguin/Hamish Hamilton, U.K., in the spring of 1997.

John E. Cleghorn, BCom'62, Chair and Chief Executive of the Royal Bank of Canada, has been named the next Chancellor of Wilfrid Laurier University, effective October 1996.

Herbert Inhaber, BSc'62, of Augusta, S.C., was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Nuclear Society at Reno, Nevada. He is a principal scientist at Westinghouse Savannah River Co. in South Carolina.

Richard W. Pound, Q.C., BCom'62, BCL'67, was the guest of honour and keynote speaker at a gala luncheon held by the Hellenic Association of Montreal in June, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Olympic games.

Gilles G. Charette, BEng'63, was appointed President of the Sales Division of RTZ Iron and Titanium Inc. in May. He is based in Montreal.

Gerald (Gerry) Kelly, BEd(PE)'64, MA'68, MEd'70, LLD'94, has been appointed President of Royal Roads University in Victoria, British Columbia. He is currently President of Grant MacEwan Community College in Edmonton.

Melvin Stavn, MA'64, was promoted from Associate Professor to Professor of physics and chemistry at the Milwaukee School of Engineering.

Lawrence Bloomberg, MBA'65, received an honorary doctorate from Concordia University in recognition of his cultural and philanthropic activities. He is President of First Marathon Inc. and lives in Toronto.

Martin Connell, BEng'65, was elected to the Alberta Energy Company Ltd.'s Board of Directors in April. He is a founder and president of Calmeadow and holds directorships in Torstar Corporation and Banco Solidario S.A.

Christopher Humphreys, BSc'65, was appointed a Principal of William M. Mercer Limited in Toronto in May.

Peter G. Kevan, BSc'65, edited *The Asiatic Hive Bee: Apiculture, Biology, and its Role in Sustainable Development in Tropical and Subtropical Asia*, published by Enviroquest Ltd. in Cambridge, Ont.

David P. O'Brien, BCL'65, was elected a Director of Inco Ltd. in May.

Douglas Watt, BSc'65, MSc'69, PhD'74, is Director of McGill's Aerospace Medical Research Unit and has been investigating the causes of the motion-sickness experienced by astronauts. He was in Houston last spring to monitor Canadian astronaut Robert Thirsk during Columbia's mission.

Sally Armstrong, BEd(PE)'66, won a Toronto YWCA Women of Distinction Communications Award in April. She has been Editor-in-Chief of *Homemaker's Magazine* since 1988 and is also a Director of *Willow*, a provincial breast cancer resource centre.

Evelyn Bloomfield, BA'66, was Co-Chair of this year's March to Jerusalem, held in May. She lives in Westmount with her husband, Raphael Schachter, and their two children.

David A.B. Brown, BCom'66, is president of the Windsor Group Inc. and was elected to the Board of Directors of Emcor Group Inc., BTO. Inc., and Marine Drilling Co. He has been elected President of the International Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon fraternity. He lives in Winchester, Mass.

Richard Lawton, BMus'66, was appointed Dean of the McGill Faculty of Music in April.

Carole J. (Applebaum) Salomon, BA'67, MBA'71, has joined UNITEL Communications Inc. as President, Residential Services.

Anthony Kalhok, DipMgmt'68, MBA'69, was appointed President and Chief Operating Officer of the Services Group of Bombardier Inc. in June.

Richard Monks, MD'68, DipPsych'74, was a recipient of the Exemplary Psychiatrist Award for 1996. The award was presented by AMI-Quebec (the Alliance for the Mentally Ill) at its annual general meeting in June.

C. Barry Tarshis, BA'68, joined the Toronto office of Smith Lyons in April.

Susyn Borer, BEdCert'69, was appointed Headmistress of Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School in Westmount, effective July 1. She was formerly Principal of Royal Vale Alternative School.

Penelope Elizabeth Elias-Winship, BA'69, is a volunteer worker with MDF and other mental health-related organizations. She writes freelance articles concerning education and social welfare and is the coordinator of a local writer's group in Workington, Cumbria, U.K.

Charles E. Fremes, BA'69, was appointed President and Chief Operating Officer, and Global Sector Head - Cause Marketing of Edelman Public Relations Worldwide (Canada) in April, based in Toronto.

Bruce C. Jenkins, BCom'69, has been elected first Vice-President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.

THE '70S

Claudette Bellemare, BA'70, BCL'73, has been elected President of the University Club of Montreal.

Heather Menzies, BA'70, had her latest book, *Whose Brave New World?: The Information Highway and the New Economy*, published in April. She teaches at Carleton University in Ottawa.

Yves J. Guisan, MSc'71, is a general surgeon and Vice President of the Swiss Hospital Association.

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Prices are quoted in Canadian dollars, per person, based on double occupancy, and are subject to change. Single supplements are available for certain trips.
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He has been elected a member of the Swiss National Parliament.

Monique Jérôme-Forget, BA'71, PhD'77, was appointed to the Board of Directors of Canada Life.

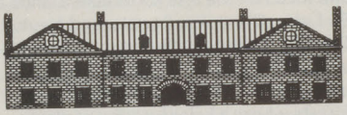
Eric Poulin, MD'71,MSc'71, joined the Wellesley Central Hospital in Toronto as its new Surgeon-in-Chief in July. He is Chair of the Program Committee for the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Canadian Association of General Surgeons. He is also a member of the Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons, and in 1989-90 he was awarded the Maurice Beaulieu Prize recognizing him as the best teaching surgeon in the Department of Surgery at the University of Laval.

Stephen J. Savidant, BEng(Mech)'71, MBA'73, has been appointed President and Chief Operating Officer of Canadian Hunter Exploration Ltd.

Peter Chodos, BCom'72, has been appointed Executive Vice-President, Corporate Development of Philip Environmental Inc.

Paul M. Lohnes, BCom'72, DipPubAcct'78, returned to Montreal in early June as a partner in the Montreal office of KPMG, having completed three years at KPMG International Headquarters (Amsterdam) as International Auditing and Accounting Partner.

Harvey Naglie, BA'72, was appointed President and CEO of the BT Bank of Canada.



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Ron Garinther, MEd'74, is a secondary school science teacher in London, Ont.

Sharon Sparling, BA'74,'s second novel,*The Nest Egg*, published in 1991, has been launched in a French edition, *Histoire d'Oeufs*. In 1993 she published her third novel, *Homing Instinct*.

Terry F. Bowles, MBA'75, was appointed President of QIT-Fer et Titane Inc. in May. He will operate out of Sorel-Tracy, Quebec.

Lawrence Herman, BCL'75, LLB'76, will begin research studies in the part-time LLM Programme in Alternative Dispute Resolution at Osgoode Hall Law School of York University. He continues as Assistant General Counsel of the Ontario and Western Canada Divisions of National Bank of Canada where he is Section Head of the Legal Department, based in Toronto.

Simcha Jacobovici, BA'75, documentary filmmaker, has directed such award-winning films as *The Plague Monkeys* and *Deadly Currents*. His latest project, *Expulsion and Memory: Descendants of the Hidden Jews*, premiered on TVOntario in April.

Linda (Youknat) Ordogh, BA'75, MLS'77, is Acting Head of McGill's Howard Ross Library of Management. She recently received an AM degree in the History of Science from Harvard University. While at Harvard, she was named co-winner of the 1995 William Harris Arnold and Gertrude Weld Arnold Prize for her essay on book collecting.

Irit Kaufman, BA'76, works in Tel Aviv for Israel Educational Television, and has been appointed Curriculum Coordinator for a new project.

Edavalath K. Vijayakumar, MA'76, has retired after 21 years of teaching high school French in Alberta.

Chia Siow Yue, PhD'76, of the National University of Singapore, has been appointed Director of the Institute of South East Asian Studies.

Sylvia Piggott, BA'77, MLS'79, was elected President of the Special Libraries Association.

Frank Ruffolo, BEng'77, MBA'82, was a Quebec nominee for the 1996 Manning Award for the innovation *Visual Communication Network-An Information System for Transit Vehicle Passengers*, which he developed in collaboration with Marshall Moreyne, MBA'80.

Pierrette Sinclair, DCL'77, a lawyer with the Montreal firm Stikeman, Elliott, has received an award of merit from the Canadian Water Resources Association for her excellent contribution to this field in 1996.

Susan Stromberg Stein, MA'77, had her bronze and steel sculpture, *Essence*, chosen as part of the Canada-Jerusalem Foundation's gift to the city of Jerusalem on its 3000th anniversary. She has been invited to teach a sculpture course at the Saidye Bronfman School of Fine Arts in 1996-97. One of her works is on display on the second floor of the Law Faculty Building.

Frederick (Rick) Firlotte, MEng'78, was appointed President of the Canadian-based Golder Associates Ltd. in Pointe-Claire, Que.

Joseph Mamazza, MD'78, became Director of Minimally Invasive Surgery at Wellesley Central Hospital in Toronto in July. He is a member of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons in Canada and of the American Board of Surgery.

Kevin O'Farrell, BA'78, was appointed a Principal of the Company of William M. Mercer, Ltd., in Montreal in June.

Victor S. Pywowarczuk, BSc'79, MBA'81, recently joined Manulife Financial as Assistant Vice-President, Affinity Markets. He lives in Etobicoke with his wife Karen and son Adam.

Jeff Schnader, MD'79, CM'79, has been made Chief of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at Wright State University in Dayton, VA.

Robert Searle, BEng(Mech)'79, lives in Kirkland, Que., and is Senior Account Executive and Market Centre Leader for Quebec and Atlantic provinces. He also works for Sterling Diagnostic Imaging.

Peter G. Tsantrizos, BEng'79, MEng'81, PhD'88, is the Chairman and Vice-President of the Perma Group of Companies. He has worked on the development of plasma technologies for 18 years and has eight patents and 15 publications in this field.

THE '80s

Ron Laursen, BCom'80, has been appointed Senior Vice-President, Retail Deposits and Services, at Scotiabank.

Marshall Moreyne, MBA'80, was a Quebec nominee for the 1996 Manning Award for the innovation *Visual Communication Network-An Information System for Transit Vehicle Passengers*, which he developed in collaboration with **Frank Ruffolo**, BEng'77, MBA'82.

Larry English, DipPubAcct'81, has been appointed to a five-year term as Concordia University's first Chief Financial Officer.

David J. Leffell, MD'81, lives in New Haven, Conn., and has been named Medical Director of Yale Faculty Practice.

Ghislaine Richard, LLM'81, has been appointed to a three-year term as Canada's representative to the International Civil Aviation Organization.

Chris Theodoropoulos, BCL'81, LLB'82, was appointed a Director to the Board of Canarc Resource Corp. in April.

Douglas Yip, BEng(Chem)'81, MBA'85, BCL'89, LLB'89, is a partner at the Montreal-based tax law firm Sweibel Novek. He and his wife, Chantal Bergeron, have two children, Justin Nicholas and Kara Pascale.

Martha Klironomos, BA'82, MA'87,was appointed Director of the Centre for Modern Greek Studies at the Nikos Kazantzakis Chair at San Francisco State University. She lives in Hollis Hills, N.Y.

Mark Kwok Wah Ma, BEng(Civ)'82, was married in 1987 and is moving from Hong Kong to Toronto.

P. Peter Pascali, BSc'82, MBA'83, is the President of the Perma Group of Companies. He was previously Vice-President of Westpac Banking Corp. in New York City.

Samir Sayad, MBA'82, has been appointed Vice-President, Projects, at the Standard Life Assurance Company.

Clint Farrell, MBA'83, lives in White Rock, B.C., is married, and has a dog. He has been Vice-President, Operations, at Douglas Manufactured Homes Ltd. since 1994. The company serves the Pacific Rim, particularly Japan.

David Ralston, BCom'83, was appointed Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of iSTAR internet Inc. in April.

Roy Smitshoek, BEng'83, was appointed Vice President, Corporate Development, of Renaissance Energy in May.

Mary Ann Levine, BA'85, earned her PhD in Anthropology from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst for her work in northeastern North American prehistoric archaeology. She is Assistant Professor at Ithaca College, NY, and was married to James Delle on June 29 in Woodstock, Vermont.

David Schulze, BA'85, MA'89, received law degrees from Osgoode Hall and l'Université de Montréal, and was admitted to the Bar of Quebec in 1995. He has joined Hutchins, Soroka & Dionne, a Montreal firm specializing in Aboriginal Law. He is married to **Nancy Kingsbury**, BA'85, who is completing a PhD in Geography at York University on tropical ecology and indigenous people's use of the forest in the Gran Sabanna region of Venezuela.

Yeshim Ternar, MA'85, has published a third book, *True Romance with a Sailor*, a collection of short stories.

Sylvain Bissonnette, BA'86, a obtenu une maîtrise d'histoire à l'Université de Montréal en 1993. Il travail au service de police de la Communauté Urbaine de Montréal en tant que sergent. Il travaille à la redaction d'un livre d'histoire sur le service de police. Il est historien à la Société du Musée de la Police de l'ile de Montréal et de l'ile Bizard.

Mindy Handelman, BA'86, DipEd'87, recently staged her theatre school's fourth major production, *Tales From the Chorus Line*, with a cast of 51 children aged 6 to 12. *Tales* was shown at Place des Arts.

John Limeburner, LLB/BCL'86, has been appointed University Treasurer at McGill.

Esther Marc, BEng(Elec)'86, is working out of California for Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance.

Anne T. Turilli, BA'86, is now practising in the Litigation Group of Adler, Pollock, and Sheehan. She lives in Jamestown, Rhode Island.

Eugene C. Kovalik, MD'87, is an Assistant Professor of Medicine at Duke University Medical Center, Division of Nephrology. He is also Chief of Nephrology, Durham Va. Medical Center, and Medical Director, Gambro Health Care Roxboro Dialysis Unit. He is married to Isabelle M. Santiago of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Brian Bissell Lindy, BSc'87, DipPubAcct'89, a Chartered Accountant, was named a partner at the Montreal office of Schwartz Levitsky Feldman, the second largest independent accounting firm in Canada. He is married to **J. Gabrielle Darling**, BSc'87, MBA'90 (Concordia), a clinical research coordinator at Glaxo. They have two children.

Eric-Paul Couture, BCom'88, joined the Toronto firm BZW Barclays Global Investors Canada Ltd. as Chief Research Officer in May.

Rodney Garson, BCL'88, LLB'88, has, after five years as a crown attorney with the Federal Department of Justice in Whitehorse, started the law firm of Garson & Chisholm, with Peter Chisholm. The firm deals exclusively with litigation matters.

Sophie D. Goetz, BCL'88, LLB'88, has been made a partner at Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll. She practices in the Business and Finance Department and concentrates in the areas of commercial, real estate and public finance. She lives in Baltimore.

Phillipe Laporte, BEng(Mech)'88, is a Biomedical Engineer at the Régie régionale de la Santé et des services sociaux de la Montérégie, in Longueuil, Que. In 1993 he received an M.Ing in Biomedical Engineering from the École Poytechnique de Montréal. He is married to **Hélène Racine**, BScN'89. They have one daughter.

Richard Ashok Coutinho, BA'89, has an International Development Management Fellowship from the Aga Khan Foundation. He will be working for the NGO Resource Centre in Karachi, Pakistan, before returning to law school at the University of Toronto.

Alex Gallacher, MBA'89, was confirmed as the President-Elect of the Canadian Association of Career Educators and Employers at the Annual General Meeting in Toronto. He lives in Mississauga with his wife, Lynne Davidson.

Hélène Racine, BScN'89, is a Clinical Nurse Specialist in Mental Health and Psychiatry at the Hôpital du Sacré Coeur in Montreal. In 1993 she completed an MSc in nursing at the Université de Montréal. She is married to **Phillipe Laporte**, BEng(Mech)'88, and they have one daughter.

THE '90S

William H. Butterfield, BSc'90, DDS'95, is an associate in a family practice in Ottawa.

Leigh D. Crestohl, BA'90, BCL'94, LLB'94, was admitted to the Bar of Quebec in October 1995, and now practices with Ogilvy, Renault in the field of intellectual property law.

François Magny, BCom'90, moved from Paris to London as Vice President Senior Trader for Nations Bank Fixed Income Group.

Joanne S. Phoenix, BA'90, earned an MA in Environmental Studies in Urban Planning at York University. She now works as a planner/analyst for the Corporation of the Town of Oakville in Oakville, Ont.

Gaetan Carrier, CertCBIS'91, has been appointed to the position of Vice-President, Finances and Administration, of AXA Assurances.

H. Harrison McCain, LLD'91, has been appointed to the "Outstanding CEO of the Year" Advisory Board for 1996. He is Chairman of McCain Foods Ltd. and the Outstanding CEO of the Year for 1990. He is a Companion of the Order of Canada and holds Directorships with the Bank of Nova Scotia, Junior Achievement of Canada, and Beaverbrook Art Gallery.

George Sopel, BA'91, LLB'95, was called to the New York and Massachusetts bars and will be articling this year with the law firm of Stikeman, Elliott in Montreal.

George Thio, BEng(Mech)'91, after two years of engineering work with Dowell Schlumberger and ABB in the U.S., Africa, Europe and Asia, completed an MBA from the University of Western Ontario in 1995. George is now trading Asian emerging market fixed-income and derivative products with JP Morgan in Singapore.

Lauraine Leblanc, BA'92, is a doctoral candidate with the Institute for Women's Studies at Emory University in Atlanta. She has been granted a 1996-97 American Fellowship from the Ameri-

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can Association of University Women for her dissertation, "The Flowers in Your Dustbin: An Ethnographic Interview Study of Girls in the North American Punk Subcultures of the 1990's."

Albert Lu, BEng(El)'92, MEng'94, has joined Analog Devices Inc. as an integrated circuit designer. He resides in Andover, MA.

S. Casey O'Keefe, BSc'92, MD'96, married **Karen N. Davis,** MD'96, on June 1 in Montreal. He is a surgical resident at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia; she is a family practice resident at Georgia Baptist Medical Center, also in Atlanta.

Mark Saul, BSc(N)'92, has been practising nursing in Puvirnituq, Que., researching health care and writing a dictionary. In August 1995 he married Christina Jando at McGill. He has been accepted to McGill medical school and will commence his studies this fall.

David S. Schwartz, BCom'92, DipPubAcct'94, is a Chartered Accountant living in Montreal.

Dave Shearon, BEng'92, obtained his P.Eng in the fall of 1995 and recently joined SHL Vision Solutions in Ottawa as a pre-sales consultant.

Eva Azoulay, BEng(Mech)'93, is working at Pratt and Whitney Canada in Ville St. Laurent, Quebec.

Corey DuFresne, BA'93, received his MA (with Distinction) in Political Studies from the University of Cape Town, South Africa, in June 1995. He is currently attending Tulane Law School in New Orleans.

Lance O. Hodgson, DipAgr'93, is co-owner of Hodgson Farm.

Josiane Lorange, BEng'93, MEng'95, will, as a participant in the Fellowship in International Development Management Program offered by the Aga Khan Foundation Canada, work with the Sadqur Water and Development Foundation in India. As recipients of a CIDA Award, she and **Catherine Senecal,** BEng'93, MEng'95, will work on the elaboration of a water-filtration program in Brazil.

Kimberley Tepperman, BCom'93, received her LLB and JD from the University of Windsor School of Law and the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, respectively. She is articling in Toronto.

Harle Thomas, MEd'93, BSW'94, MSW'95, is in private practice as a therapist and is a clinician at the McGill Domestic Violence Clinic. As a pastime he is the drummer in the Bagg Street Klezmer Band.

Sean Thomas, MD'93, is a licensed physician in British Columbia and practises in Merritt. He will be returning to UCLA in July to complete a psychiatry residency.

Filiz Avsar, BSc'94, is working at the Montreal General Hospital. He vacationed in Cancun in January.

Marco Bazzocchi, BCom'94, works for Andersen Consulting and was married to **Shirley Lessard,** BCom'94, in June. They had a one-month honeymoon in Europe.

Manon Bouchard, BEng(Chem)'94, works for Donohue Inc., a pulp and paper company in Baie-Comeau. She has a baby daughte.

Michael Guralnick, MD'94, is doing residency in urology at the University of Manitoba. In May he was married to Rebecca London.

Michelle Lackie, BEd'94, lives in Tconto and teaches first and second grade at a privte school.

Maryse Langevin, BSc(Agr)'94, work full-time for a food company in Vercheres, Quoec.

Paul LeLorier, MD'94, will be marrie to Jessica Tarel in November.

Christine Lennon, MBA'94, was pmoted to the position of Vice President, Corpcate Communications, at BioChem Pharma.

Gretchen Le Van, BA'94, will begin sudying law at the University of Oregon in Eugee, Oregon in September.

Alain Olivier, BCL'94, LLB'94 is pctising law at Lavery, de Billy in Montreal.

Cynthia Lee Parkinson, BSc'94, hasbeen working at Concordia University for six ears and is now teaching English as a Second Laguage. She is enjoying a new home with her husand Randy Burchell, and is working on a gradute diploma in Institutional Administration at Cncordia.

John Leander Po, BSc'94, MSc'94, inished his Master's of Science degree and will e going to the Medical College of Pennsylvania nd Hahnemann University in Philadelphia, Pnn., to pursue a joint MD/PhD with a fll tuition scholarship and stipend.

Dana Safran, BEd'94, will be taking break from teaching pre-kindergarten French immersion and pursuing a Master's Degree in ducational Psychology at McGill.

Vanessa Skelton, BEng(Civ)'94, ravelled in Europe, Turkey, and Egypt for six onths, and now lives in Toronto where she work for a transportation consulting engineering company.

David L. Woodbury, MEd'94, is in rivate practice, developing Internet tools and:ontent. He lives in Montreal West.

Nadime Zacharia, BEng'94, is at IcGill completing a master's degree in the desig and testing of digital circuits.

Audrey Abecassis, BEng(Elec)'95, works at Northern Telecom in St. Laurent, ue.

Mohsen Abedini, BEng(Chem)'95 is completing an MA. Last term he studied i France and Italy.

Riowan Abgrall, BCom'95, is an auditor with Deloitte & Touche.

Mary Addona-Deschenes, BScN'9, spent some time in San Francisco last winter ad returned to Montreal in the spring.

F. L. Appel, PhD'95, was a co-reipient of the Prix d'excellence de L'Académi des Grands Montréalais. He also received anFCAR postdoctoral fellowship which he will se in the Department of Government at Harvad.

Vera Armann, BLS'95, lives in Whnipeg and is a technical research analyst with SmartHealth, a

subsidiary of the Royal Bank. She was married in August to Jay Keown.

Sirin Belbay, BEng(Elec)'95, travelled in Europe and the U.S. after graduating. He now works in the Software Development Technologies Department at CAE Electronics in Montreal.

Corinne I. Benson, BA'95, is working on a master's degree at the Art Institute of Chicago.

Karen Beisoussan, BSC'95, is studying for a master's degree in anatomy and cell biology, after which she intends to take a year off to travel around the world.

Cynthia Brady, BSW'95, is living in British Columbia and is engaged to be married in March, 1997.

Catherine Anne Byers, BA'95, is a full-time child welfare worker in Lethbridge, Alta. In early 1996 she finished a six-month stint working in accounting for the Calgary Flames Hockey Club.

Loredana Campo, BSc(POT)'95, is a staff physiotherapist at the Montreal General and Montreal Children's hospitals.

Tamara Canter, BCom'95, is studying law at Osgoode Hall in Toronto.

Julie Couremanche, BCom'95, lives in Beloeil, Quebec, and works as an assistant media planner at CossetteCommunication-Marketing.

Dave Eleiter, MBA'95, has been fortunate enough to find a job that allows him to ski or snowboard every day, and to mountain bike in the summer.

Daniel Elie, BA'95, is studying law at McGill.

Jacqueline Farrell, BEd(Bio)'95 completed an MSc in Biology at Dalhousie in December and now teaches chemistry labs at Marianopolis College in Montreal.

Marissa Fenwick, BA'95, is a trainer and technical writer and lives in Kirkland, Que.

Nancy Fineberg, BScAgr'95, moved to Winnipeg last January and works in biotechnology for Agriculture Canada.

Victoria Ford, BA'95, volunteered for the *Alexander for President* campaign and in September became the Volunteer Coordinator for New Hampshire. She works for Governor Bill Weld in the External Relations Office.

Laura Gallagher, BA'95, is studying law at the Catholic University in Washington, D.C.

Natasha Garfield, MD'95, was married in May.

Daniel A, Gilroy, BTh'95, was married to Kelly-Ann King in August 1995. He is now enrolled in an M.A. program at Memorial University in Newfoundland.

Christian Girard, BSc'95, is taking a year off to relax, pay student loans, and travel.

Marco Goguen, BCom'95, works at Morgan Stanley and Co. and was transferred to the High Technology Mergers and Acquisitions Department in San Francisco in July.

Marla Greenspoon, BCom'95, lives in Montreal, works with a client in Vermont, and takes ski breaks at Mt. Tremblant.

Sonia Guerriero, BA'95, is working on a PhD in experimental psychology. She lives in Montreal.

Julie Guillert, BSc(PT)'95, works in two private clinics in the Sorel-Tracy area.

Aline Hadjetian, BCom'95, has started a vending machine business and lives in Town of Mount Royal, Quebec.

Kevin Hagen, BA'95, has returned to McGill to study philosophy.

Adrienne Haswell, BSc'95, now studies physiotherapy at McGill.

Patricia L. D'Heureux, LLB'95, BCL'95, will be called to the Ontario Bar in February. She lives in North York, Ont.

Diemha Hoang, MD'95, has been an intern and has travelled to London, England.

Debra (England) Hilborn, BSc(Ot)'95, works in acute medicine at the Medicine Hat Regional Hospital in Alberta.

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Laura Isidean, MBA'95, works for the Export Development Corporation in Ottawa as a Treasury Officer in the Capital Markets Department.

Russ Itani, BMus'95, is enrolled in the graduate studies programme at the Vancouver Academy of Music and is also a freelancing musician in the Vancouver area.

Phil Jackson, BSc'95, is working on a PhD in psychology.

Liane Johnson, MD'95, lives in Halifax, has travelled to Thailand and skied on Sugarloaf.

Jennifer Valentine-Jordan, BSc(OT)'95, was married in May 1995 and spent six and a half weeks in Venezuela. She and her husband live in Arkansas.

Robert E. Juhasz, LLB'95, completed his articling year at Ogilvy Renault in Ottawa and begins a Masters of European Studies in Law this fall at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium, on a scholarship from the European Commission.

Gillian Keith, BMus'95, has opened her own private piano teaching studio with 15 students. She has also formed a Baroque Quartet in which she is the soprano soloist. They gave their first concert in the spring.

Benedict Koorengevel, BEng(Mech)'95, is working as an Applications Engineer for Laurentide Controls Ltd. in Montreal.

Joshua Lall, BSc(OT)'95, works in Kitchener, Ontario at an Alternative and Augmentative Communication clinic. He gave a presentation in this field at the 1996 CAOT National Conference in Ottawa.

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Marylene Lefebvre, BSc'95, took a year off and will now begin to study for a teaching degree in science at the Université de Montreal.

John Leonard Marc Leblanc, BCom'95, did a seven-month internship as an Associate in the Promotion and Marketing department with the Orlando Magic of the N.B.A. He returned to Canada in August.

Arthur K. Lee, BSW'95, moved to Vancouver, B.C.

Sophie Mak, BCom'95, is working at KPMG Peat Marwick Thorne and is taking CA courses at Concordia.

Larry Markowitz, LLB'95, is articling with the law firm of Lavery, de Billy in Montreal.

Lisa Annette McGregor, DDS'95, is completing her residency at Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal.

Brenda K. McQueeney, BN'95, has moved to Washington, D.C., and is an R.N. at Georgetown University Medical Center's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and Neonatal Step-Down Unit.

Megan Melville, BCom'95, lives in Laval, Quebec and is a business analyst for the National and International department of Bell Sygma Inc., a subsidiary of Bell Canada.

Ingrid Necak, BEd'95, is teaching English immersion classes at elementary schools in Terrebonne.

Stephanie Nickson, BA'95, travelled after graduation and recently relocated to Toronto to begin work at Sun Life as a Pension Administrator.

Janet Ozembloski, LLB'95, is articling at the Department of Justice in Ottawa.

Caterina Papachristos, BEng(Mech)'95, is working as a design and process engineer in the welding equipment division at Air Liquide Inc. She lives in Montreal.

Nathalie Perreault, BSc(PT)'95, lives and works in New Jersey.

Linda Petriuk, MLS'95, is currently working for the Province of Manitoba as a Government Librarian.

Andrew M. Pijahn, BA'95, is working in the Logistics department at Procter and Gamble in Brockville, Ont.

Jose Pires, MD'95, is working in general surgery. His recent travels in South America included Colombia and Brazil.

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Glenn David Posner, BSc'95, is studying at McGill Medical school.

Kim Rafuse, BEng(Chem)'95, is working in Loss Prevention for an industrial insurance company and lives in Stouffville, Ont.

Genevieve Riverin, BCom'95, travelled in Europe for two months after graduation and now works for Prentice Hall Publishers.

Stephane Rochan, BCom'95, works in the insurance industry and has a baby, Alexis.

Gary Rothstein, BCom'95, travelled in Europe and Israel after graduating and is now the purchasing manager at Lenrod Industries, a textile converter company.

Carolyn Routhier, BSc(PT)'95, works in a hospital in New Hampshire. She is engaged to be married.

Luigi Santamaria-Moschetta, BEd(TFSL)'95, teaches French as a Second Language at Westmount High School in Westmount, Que., and travels to Italy yearly.

Josh Silverstone, BCom'95, travelled in Europe after graduating and now works as a financial analyst at Procter and Gamble in Toronto.

Alaa Shuhaibar, BEng(Mech)'95, works in Project Engineering in St. Laurent, Que., and vacationed in British Columbia in June.

Olivia Shoenfeld, BA'95, will begin veterinary studies at the Royal Veterinary College of the University of Edinburgh in October.

Greg Shron, BArch'95, works for a residential architecture firm in McLean, Virginia. He lives in Bethesda, MD, and is married to Samantha Palmisano, BA'94.

Patricia Strazza, BA'95, has returned to McGill to pursue a degree in Elementary Education.

Roy Taylor, BSc(Agr.Eng.)'95, married **Brenda Holzgang,** DipAgr'95, in July.

Alison Tyminski, BMus'95, spent a month in Holland during the summer of 1995 and then attended the University of Western Ontario to attain an Arts Diploma in Performance. She is a member of the 1996 National Youth Orchestra and is touring Japan.

Robert K. Vinson, BSc'95, is doing graduate work in pharmacology and therapeutics at McGill.

Zhiguo Wang, PhD'95, received a Prix d'excellence for his PhD thesis at the Académie des Grands Montréalais gala in June.

Ralf Wimmershoff, MBA'95, is married to Leticia, lives in London, and works in Project Finance for an international merchant bank.

Elaine Zaneck, BCom'95, is a sales coordinator and account executive for Lancome, Paris, a division of Cosmair Canada. She lives in Montreal.

Sonia Zeppetelli, BSc(OT)'95, has completed a second internship and is looking for work.

Matthew Carr, BSc'96, commences his studies for an MSc in atmospheric science at the University of Washington in Seattle in September.

Mary K. Leslie, MBA'96, has been working for Provigo in Montreal since May.

IN MEMORIAM

THE 1910s

Mary Elizabeth (Currie) Edwards, BA'16, at Ottawa on April 24, 1996.

THE 1920s

R. Kenneth Scott, BCom'23, at Ottawa on January 18, 1996.

S. Leon Mendelsohn, Q.C., BCL'24, at Montreal on March 19, 1996.

Lyon Steine, BSc'24, MD'28, at Atlanta in December 1995.

Isidore J. Wainer, BA'24, at Montreal on May 8, 1996.

Kenneth Ernest Clare, Com'25, at West Vancouver on April 22, 1996.

Robert McLean Hamilton, BSc(Eng)'25, at Toronto in April 1996.

Miriam S. Burland, BA'26, at Ottawa on April 1, 1996.

Ronald Danley Gibbs, MSc'26, at Southampton, England, in November 1995.

Irene G. Pashley, BSc'26, at Victoria on June 7, 1996.

Jean Christina (Smellie) Scott, BA'27, at Cote-St-Luc, Que., on March 7, 1996.

Robert Nelson Crozier, PhD'28, at Springfield, Mass., on May 14, 1996.

Joan (Eve) Denny, Arts'28, at Toronto on April 29, 1996.

Florence (Klineberg) Pascal, BA'28, at Montreal on May 26, 1996.

Harry Francis Quinlan, MD'28, at St. Catharines, Ont., on January 19, 1996.

Olive Scobell-Tyner, BA'28, at Senneville, Que., on May 21, 1996.

Mary F. (McMaster) Fairbanks, DipLS'29, at Antigonish, N. S., on April 29, 1995.

THE 1930s

Alexander Perry Shearwood, BA'30, BEng'32, at Sutton, Que., on June 4, 1996.

Sol S. Hecht, BCom'32, at Montreal on April 8, 1996.

V. Champlain Lépine, Com'32, at Joliette, Que., on March 4, 1996.

Joseph J. Mahoney, MD'33, at Norwich, Conn., on January 2, 1996.

Mary A. Macauley, BA'34, at Detroit, Mich., on June 18, 1995.

Lorraine (Slessor) Sadler, BA'34, at Westmount, Que., on May 15, 1996.

W. A. Ralph Allen, BSc'35, at Victoria on June 9, 1996.

Helen E. Farren, BA'35, at Lancaster, Penn., on March 19, 1996.

Reuben Friedman, BSc'35, MD'41, at Verdun, Que., on April 3, 1996.

G. Kenneth Lowther, PhD'35, at Pedregal City, Mexico, in 1988.

Donald M. Ross, Com'35, at Lake Opinicon, Ont., on May 23, 1996.

Guy E. Shewell, BSA'35, MSc'37, at Nepean, Ont., on February 19, 1996.

Margaret Genevieve (Gaughan) Brock, DipSW'36, at Collingwood, Ont., on April 3, 1996.

Nathan Frank Gropper, DDS'36, at Vancouver on June 17, 1996.

Jean Catherine (Cameron) Grout, BA'36, at Knowlton, Que., on May 23, 1996.

H. Kingsford Jones, BArch'36, at Atherton, Calif., in 1994.

George Anthony Allison, BA'37, BCL'40, at Montreal on March 8, 1996.

Abraham A. Corber, BA'37, MD'40, at Montreal on April 22, 1996.

Eleanor E. McGarry, BSc'37, MD'47, at Montreal on March 26, 1996.

Arthur Gerald Racey, DDS'37, at St-Anicet, Que., on April 27, 1996.

Joan Whitley (Bann) Rutherford, BA'38, at Hamilton, Ont., on March 11, 1996.

Moses Siminovitch, BSc'38, MD'40, at Montreal on February 27, 1996.

Arnold Arthur Grossman, MD'39, at Montreal on March 22, 1996

Donald W. Sutherland, BCom'39, at Montreal on June 5, 1996.

THE 1940s

George Valois Bourbonnais, BEng(Ci)'40, at Dorval, Que., on June 24, 1996.

James Bulger, MD'40, at Great Falls, Mont., the beginning of 1996.

Kathleen M. (Paine) Elliott, BA'40, BLS'50, at Montreal on January 26, 1996.

Dorothy Esme Snell, BCom'40, at London, Ont., on May 30, 1996.

Bruce D. Storrs, MD'40, at Albuquerque, New Mexico, on October 16, 1995.

Marc P. Warren, BEng'42, at Ste-Rose, Que., on February 22, 1996.

Brenda B. Wilson, BA'42, at Washington, D.C., on July 10, 1994.

Robert J. Joedicke, BSc'44, at New York on May 18, 1996.

Colin J. Campbell, BA'45, BCL'49, at Montreal on May 18, 1996.

Maurice Gignac, BSc(Agr)'45, at Shawinigan, Que., on June 2, 1996.

Julius Marmur, BSc'45, MSc'(Mac)'47, at Larchmond, N.Y., on May 20, 1996.

Clayton A. M. Procope, BSc'46, at St. Augustine, Trinidad, on December 29, 1995.

Michael M. Weinbaum, BSc'47, at Montreal on June 1, 1996.

F. Moyra Allen, BN'48, at Ottawa on May 2, 1996.

Richard E. D'Arcy, BSc'48, at Oakville, Ont., on March 14, 1996.

Evelyn Jean Elson, BLS'48, at London, Ont., on March 10, 1996.

John R. Finn, BEng'48, at Pointe Claire, Que., on February 23, 1996.

R. David Hume, BA'48, at Ottawa on April 15, 1996.

William James Clendenning, BCom'49, at Montreal on June 23, 1996.

Gordon M. Davies, BCom'49, at Hagersville, Ont., on March 15, 1996.

Helene Joy (Crelinsten) Grossman, BA'49, at Montreal on April 6, 1996.

Paul Paré, BCL'49, at Montreal on February 26, 1996.

Audrey H. (Innes) Wilson, BSc'49, at Lachine, Que., on April 15, 1996.

THE 1950s

John T. F. Thorpe, BEng'50, at Willowdale, Ont., on December 30, 1995.

Elisabeth (Jepsen) Langer, DipEduc'51, at Montreal on April 20, 1996.

Peter Hanton Slaughter, BEng'51, at Venice, Fla., on June 5, 1996.

Norman C. Galey, BA'52, at Toronto on June 13, 1993.

Michael P. J. Rusko, Q.C., BCL'52, at Westmount, Que., on March 4, 1996.

Rosalind (Itovitch) Zinman, DipEduc'52, at Westmount, Que., on May 16, 1996.

Carl A. Goresky, BSc'53, MD'55, PhD'65, at Montreal on March 21, 1996.

Marilyn Bowering, BSc(PE)'54, at Islington, Ont., on October 4, 1995.

Lawrence N. Cohen, BA'54, DDS'56, at Westmount, Que., on February 26, 1996.

Roger H. C. Verschingel, PhD'55, at Montreal on May 27, 1996.

William H. Boyd, MSc'56, at Fergus, Ont., on May 20, 1996.

P. Brahmayya Sastry, PhD'56, in India on May 28, 1993.

Mark B. Wasserman, BCom'57, at Montreal on February 17, 1996.

John C. MacLennan, MD'58, at Ocean Springs, Miss., on April 15, 1996.

Thomas Patrick McCrory, DDS'59, at Montreal on June 21, 1996.

THE 1960s

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Nigel Svami, BA'63, at Toronto on May 11, 1996.

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Peter Jeremy Mann, BSc'67, at North Heroe, Vt., on May 27, 1996.

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THE 1970s

Gloria (Green) Saragossi, BA'70, at Montreal on February 22, 1996.

James E. Matheson, BD'71, MA'72, at Etobicoke, Ont., in December 1995.

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Silvery Success, Dateline: Atlanta 1996

What better place to meet up with fellow McGill rowers than in Atlanta for the summer Olympics? Tosha Tsang, BA'92, of Calgary and Alison Korn, BA'93, of Nepean, Ont., were members of the silver medal Canadian women's eight, unranked in the world prior to the race, which crossed the line after Romania and edged out Belarus by .4 seconds. Fellow Olympic teammates included men's spare Bradshaw Crombie, plus Henry Hering and Greg Stevenson, BA'91, who rowed in the Canadian men's eight which placed fourth. (Both Hering and Crombie coached at McGill.)

The number of McGill athletes on the Olympic rowing team is even more impressive when one considers that the McGill Rowing club is entirely a student-run organization without paid coaches or University funding. As well, McGill athletes are largely responsible for encouraging the City of Montreal to keep the Olympic Basin rowing course open and protecting it from infringement by the Montreal Grand Prix road race next door. (Some heretical people have even suggested paving the Basin, one of the best facilities in North America.)

To celebrate the success in rowing, a new event is being launched: a McGill-Queen's Challenge scheduled for April 1997. Winners will take home the Lorne Gales Trophy. The late Lorne Gales, BA'32, BCL'35, LLD'79, was a passionate supporter of McGill rowing.

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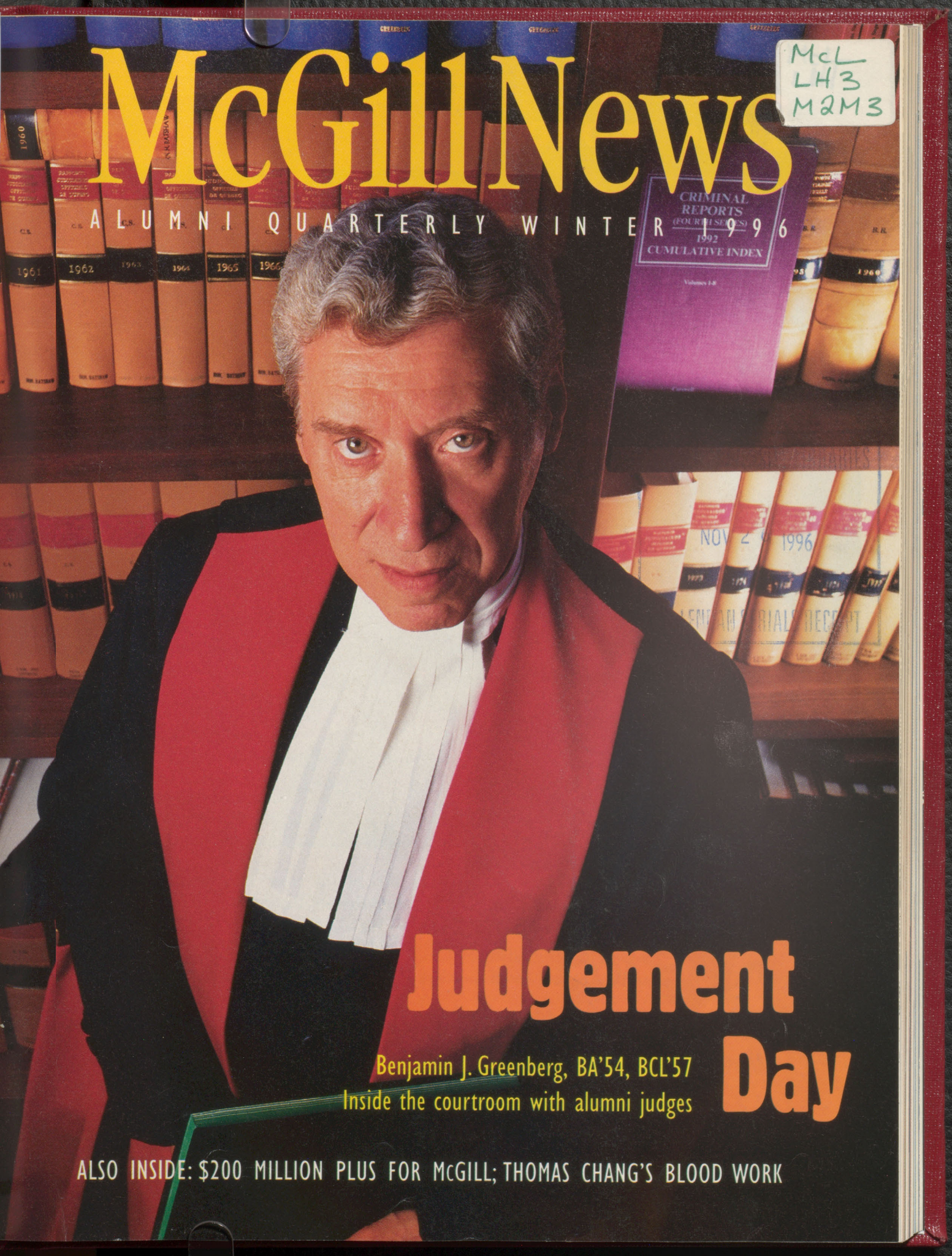
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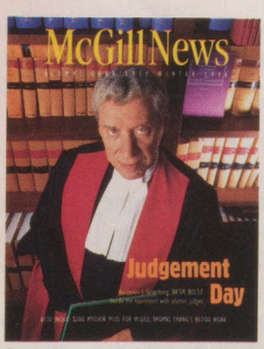

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THE RANCHER REDPATHS

They were ranchers in Alberta: the western branch of the Redpaths, whose family history is so closely linked with that of McGill University and of the city beyond the Roddick Gates.

Generations of Redpaths have studied at the university their ancestors helped build. Among the Redpaths attending McGill this century were several whose 'ancestral home' was a small ranch at Pincher Creek, Alberta, rather than a mansion in Montreal.

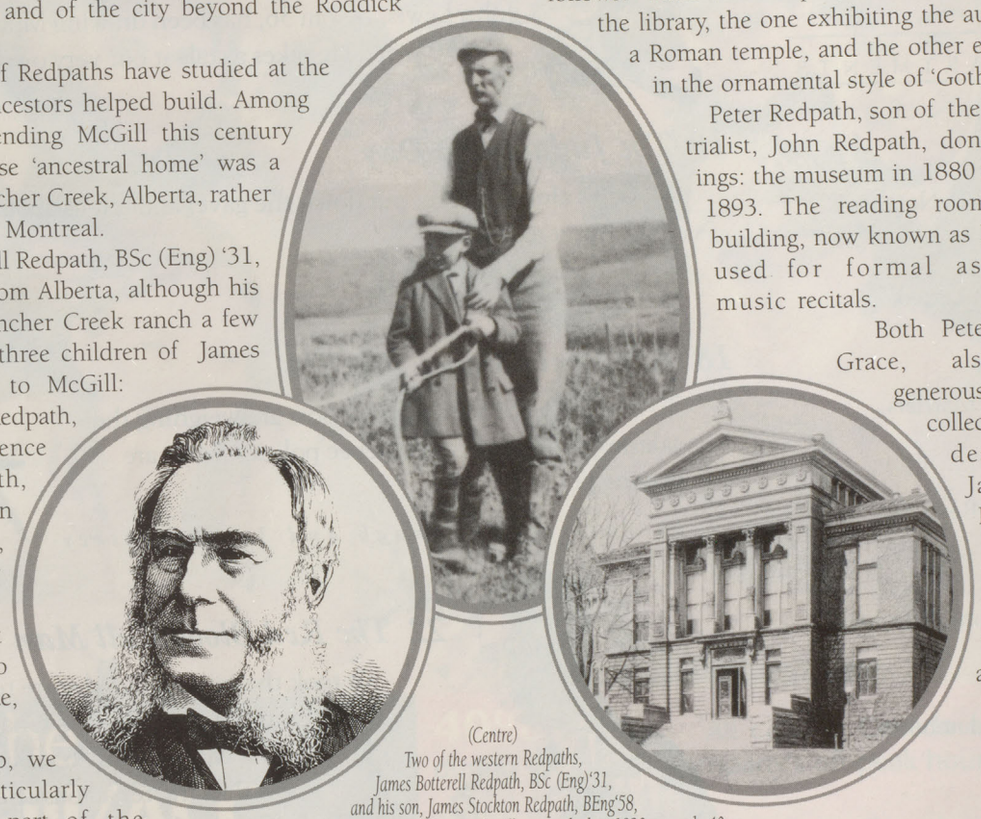
James Botterell Redpath, BSc (Eng) '31, came to McGill from Alberta, although his father sold the Pincher Creek ranch a few years later. The three children of James followed him to McGill: James Stockton Redpath, BEng '58; Florence Anne Redpath, BSc '59, and John Huntley Redpath, MD '68. Their mother, née Margaret Stockton, was also a McGill graduate, BSc(Arts) '31.

"Growing up, we were not particularly aware of being part of the Montreal Redpaths," recalls James Stockton Redpath, who lives in North Bay, Ont. "Even while going to McGill, I did not think about it. It was later, as [my father] JBR got older, that we all probably became more interested in the family.

"But we sure knew about the West. Alberta was where my parents came from: JBR from Pincher Creek and Mum from Calgary. JBR tried to persuade me as a very young man to buy land in Alberta and become a rancher. He had this dream of retiring on a piece of land in the foothills and looking at the mountains."

James Botterell Redpath was a successful mining engineer. He held directorships in several mining companies and was president of three others, including Dome Mines Limited.

"He thought so much of McGill," says his son, James Stockton, who is also a mining engineer. "He was conscious of the early connection his family had with McGill and proud of it, although he was not someone who talked about it. He knew Amy, Lady Roddick, also a Redpath, quite well. She named him an executor of her estate."



(Centre) Two of the western Redpaths, James Botterell Redpath, BSc (Eng)'31, and his son, James Stockton Redpath, BEng'58, on the family's ranch at Pincher Creek, Alberta in the late 1930s or early 40s. (Left) Peter Redpath, whose legacy of generosity to McGill still stands in the form of the Redpath Library and the Redpath Museum (Right).

A LEGACY IN STONE

The university's legacy in stone from the Redpath family is described by Stanley Brice Frost in his history of McGill as follows: "...the two Redpath structures, the museum and the library, the one exhibiting the austere restraint of a Roman temple, and the other equally successful in the ornamental style of 'Gothic Revival.'"

Peter Redpath, son of the Montreal industrialist, John Redpath, donated both buildings: the museum in 1880 and the library in 1893. The reading room of the library building, now known as Redpath Hall, is used for formal assemblies and music recitals.

Both Peter and his wife, Grace, also contributed generously to the library's collections. Upon his death in 1992, James Botterell Redpath continued the family tradition with a personal bequest to McGill's library acquisitions fund.

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A few years ago, *The Gazette* newspaper in Montreal ran the entire text of a judge's ruling on strip clubs, with the legal reasons why they should stay open. It was fascinating. Like many non-lawyers, I rarely see legal judgements in their entirety and appreciated reading the argument. For this issue, the *McGill News* asked a core of alumni judges for their most interesting cases. A broader array of themes, I argue, would be hard to find. Not enough women, you say? Well, not for lack of trying. Women are just making inroads into the judiciary and some we approached did not reply. On the whole, we received more cases than we could publish, but we thank all who made submissions. And special thanks to *McGill Law Journal* editor Mary Pat Cormier who, while undergoing minor contractions in the eighth month and 27th day of pregnancy, reviewed a number of the French-language cases with me. Her daughter, Emerson Cormier Wayland, was born a few days later.

Our news story this issue concerns the state of McGill's professoriate in light of anglo angst. After the first draft, several readers asked that we highlight the positive aspects of Montreal. After all, Montreal was ranked as one of the best cities in the world to live in. Or was it? It was hard to turn rumour into fact. Finding the good news about Montreal took numerous trips to the library and about 50 phone calls. Sure, it was easy to find the bad news . . . but the good news? We tried, tried, and tried again.

Finally, we got our hands on two reports. In 1995, a company which sells information to businesses for their expatriate staff, the Corporate Resources Group Ltd, examined 125 cities. In its Quality of Living Rankings, Montreal was third in North America (behind Vancouver and Toronto) and 10th in the world. All cities were compared to New York with 100 points. Montreal scored 104.88, just behind worldwide leader Vancouver at 107.33.

Just five years earlier, the Washington-based Population Crisis Committee ranked Montreal as the most livable city in the world, tying with Melbourne and Seattle-Tacoma. Montreal received a score of 86 out of 100 points.

Furthermore, the Greater Montreal Convention and Tourist Bureau points out that Montreal is the "gastronomy capital of Canada," second to New York City on the continent, according to the Canadian and American Automobile Associations. Meanwhile, Montreal proves to be the most popular convention site in Canada, third in North America after New York and Washington, and 13th in the world. That's the good news about Montreal – the *McGill News* is pleased to save you the trouble of trying to find it yourself.

Our other good news is that a demure yet effective blood scientist works in our midst. McGill's Dr. Thomas Chang is the acknowledged inventor of artificial cells, as well as other lifesaving innovations. Journalist André Picard interviewed Dr. Chang for the story in this issue. "This is the typical Canadian story," he notes. "I saw 350 people come from around the world to hear Thomas Chang speak, but locally we ignore him." He notes that an American scientist received widespread media attention in Canada when he spoke about applying just a portion of Chang's research. Picard comments, "Sometimes, we can't see greatness in our midst. Chang's discoveries have been incremental and ahead of our time." The *McGill News* is pleased to profile this distinguished scientist.

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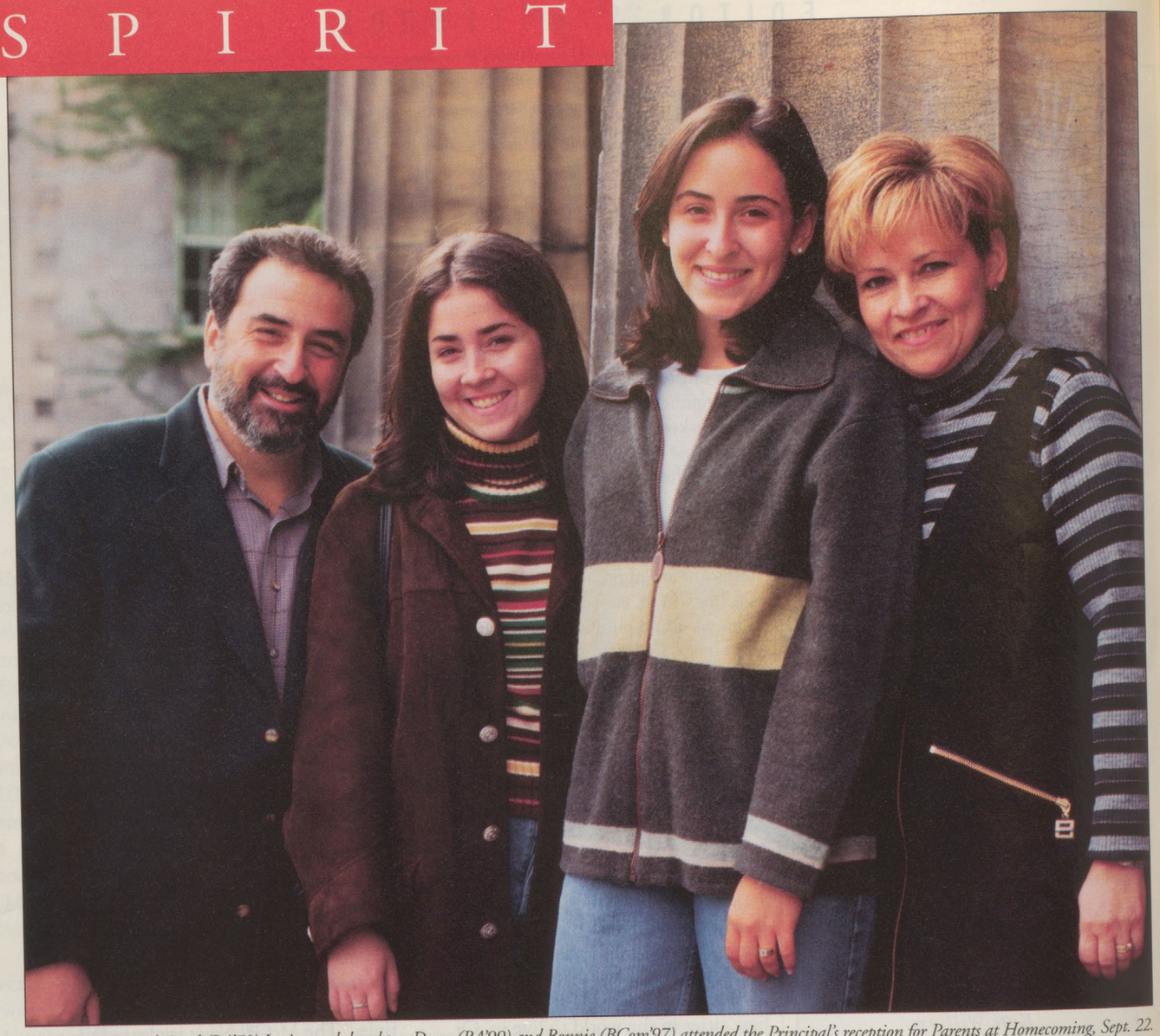

Allan (BSc'69) and Carol (BA'70) Levine and daughters Doree (BA'99) and Bonnie (BCom'97) attended the Principal's reception for Parents at Homecoming, Sept. 22.

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LETTERS

Russian claims refuted

I AM DISTURBED TO NOTE FACTUAL inaccuracies in an article claiming to describe the history of McGill's Russian and Slavic Studies Department ("In From the Cold," Fall'96). Among the many errors are:

1. the claim that the most famous graduate is Heidi Hollinger, BA'90, is ludicrous given the current position of political decision-maker, McGill law professor Julius Grey, BA'70, BCL'71, MA'73;

2. the claim that the most visible government links are with the discredited Zhirinovsky is equally incorrect. My late husband, John Greer Nicholson, founder of the department, met Mikhail Sergeyevich Gorbachev, who then held the senior position in Russian government.

Perhaps you would care to read the obituary of my late husband in *The Times* (London), of June 3, 1995, to acquaint yourself with the facts of the history of the department.

Perhaps, if you did your research properly rather than relying on one "newish" professor in the department, your article might have been more accurate. It is hard enough to deal with the death of a beloved husband.

Monique Forthomme Nicholson
Cambridge, England

Editor's Note: The McGill News *regrets not mentioning Mr. Nicholson but otherwise stands by all the facts in the article. The "newish" professor, Paul Austin, has been with the Russian department since 1968.*

Get it Right!

I WAS MOST SURPRISED WHEN I read about Laurie Hardman, BEng'48 (Alumnotes, Summer'96). You wrote, "She worked in Smooth Rock Falls, St. Catharines and Thunder Bay, Ont. SHE still lives in Thunder Bay."

As one of two women engineering graduates in the class of 1948 (one electrical and one chemical), I would like to know how you discovered a third woman in the engineering class of '48 (a mechanical no less!). I am sure Laurie is also wondering how HE became SHE.

Seriously though, such an error only serves to emphasize McGill's lack of interest in the history of women in engineering. It would be a useful exercise to research the first five women in engineering.

Elinor R. (Watson) Linney, BEng (Elec)'48
Ottawa, Ont.

Editor's note: Please don't blame McGill for our error! Indeed, the Faculty of Engineering has stepped up its initiative to recruit women engineers through the committee, Promotion of Opportunities for Women in Engineering (POW) and the Faculty's Committee on Women. McGill has the highest percentage of women engineering students nationally (20%). Call Judy Pharo at 398-7256 for more information.

The Dawson Weekly

BELATEDLY I READ THE INTERESTING article "McGill Daily Editors Resurrected" (Winter'96), which reminded me of a "competitor" at Dawson College of McGill (1945-1950). *The Dawson Weekly*, of which I was Editor-in-Chief in 1949-50, operated under a severe handicap: the French Canadian linotypist did not speak English, which led to proof-reading difficulty. *The Weekly* reported largely on activities, of which many were required because there were 2,000 male students and only three females; and sports, since an unbelievable 93 percent of students participated in 18 intercollegiate and 21 intramural sports (with countless floor hockey teams). Like the *Daily* editors, I was occasionally called on the carpet by Vice-Principal Hatcher for printing risqué stories (by the standards of the time).

Vincent M. Jolivet, BEng'52
Seattle, Wash.

Bourne's Honour

YOUR ARTICLE ABOUT THE McGILL Sports Hall of Fame (Fall'96) was very interesting as Dr. F. Munroe Bourne was our family doctor for many years. There was only one error: he died on July 11, 1992 not 1982.

I. Dorrance
Montreal, Que.

Editor's note: Munroe Bourne was inducted into the McGill Sports Hall of Fame at a luncheon held by the Martlet Foundation, September 1996. His widow, Margaret, attended as did his sons, Robert and Richard.

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Gary Rush

Richard Bourne, BSc'69, Dr. Richard Tomlinson, PhD'48, Mrs. Margaret Bourne and Dr. Robert Bourne, BSc'67, MD'72, at the Hall of Fame Awards, September 19, 1996

A statue of the University's founder was unveiled recently on the Lower Campus. The work of British sculptor David Roper-Curzon, it is a life-size bronze of James McGill (1744–1813) striding across campus with his hand on his hat and coat flying in the breeze. Graduates who admire it can take pride in knowing that it was sculpted on campus, in the workshop of the School of Architecture.

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Sculptor David Roper-Curzon working on the clay model of James McGill in the School of Architecture Workshop. Photos by Rick Kerrigan, design by David Morin.

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New Hands on Deck

A cerebral, consensus-building architect takes charge of McGill fundraising and alumni relations

by Felixa de Amesti

For years, the irrepressible director of the School of Architecture poked fun at the very job he now holds. "VP, Spare Change," he'd quip at the rowdy Leacock Luncheon held each Homecoming weekend in Montreal. Even Stephen Leacock would have appreciated the irony as Derek Drummond, 58, became that very "VP." As of September 1, 1996, Drummond began overseeing 80 staff located at Martlet House and Rabinovitch House responsible for raising at least $40 million per year and for creating a strong network of alumni.

For years, McGill's fundraising and alumni efforts have been unsurpassed. McGill consistently raises more money on an annual basis than any other Canadian university. The 100-branch alumni network is strong and responds enthusiastically to McGill's polite entreaties, whether it be calling prospective students, hosting professors, housing visiting students, or giving specialized advice. Drummond, the academic, is no stranger to the operation.

He has long been a regular speaker to alumni and campaigned for the Twenty-First Century Fund. Yet he wasn't interested in the Vice-Principal job when approached to be a candidate. "I was happy in Architecture, I really liked the job I had," he commented. But after McGill's top candidate declined, Principal Bernard Shapiro called on Drummond's sense of duty. He agreed, with one provision: teaching would still be part of his duties. He has no problem between teaching "Site Usage and Civic Design" and fundraising.

"The hard truth is we need all the gifts and donations we can get right now. If more of my colleagues became involved in fundraising, we would be more successful."

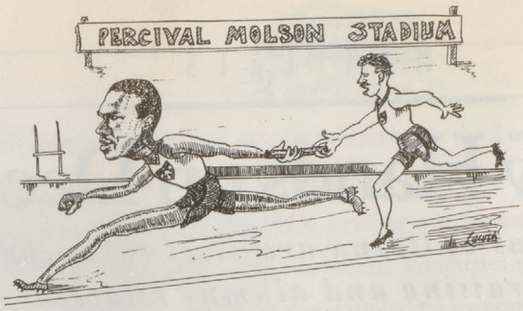
Derek and Anne Drummond, BA'61, MA'86 (who has a PhD in history from Ottawa), live in Westmount and have four boys, Colin, Gavin, BA'88, Rob, BA'90, and Louis. Drummond regularly walks to work and eschews the executive parking spot in front of Martlet House. It gives him time to ponder new ideas. "I want to engage volunteers and donors in more than fundraising, such as student recruitment, and develop more of a spirit. Contacting people once a year is not enough." He does not believe in preferential admission for children of graduates, but does believe in special treatment in relaying the news if their child is to be refused. Admissions and the Alumni Association are collaborating on executing this idea.

Nicolas Morin

New VP Derek Drummond, BArch'62 (centre), gets some sage advice from Fran Hamilton, BSc'41 (left) and Alex Hamilton, BEng'40

As the architect turned fundraiser, he is concerned about deferred maintenance of McGill's buildings (at least $150 million worth) and writes frequently about threats to Montreal's architectural heritage. Readers of *The Gazette* in Montreal know that Drummond has routinely railed against mega projects. He said the Anglican Church was "led into temptation" for allowing an underground mall to be built under the Christ Church Cathedral on St. Catherine Street. He argued that the proposed Montreal "superhospital" would be destructive to Montreal's urban fabric, and argued against concerts on Ile Ste. Hélène ("a place of refuge from the busy city," he wrote).

"There are few cities in the world which are more livable than Montreal," says Drummond, a proud Montrealer with Irish roots. "The quality of life we have here is extraordinary." For those who believe McGill might not overcome current difficulties, Drummond asserts there will be no backslide. "McGill has too much momentum." It's an idea alumni can take to heart.



Left: Olympic medallist Phil Edwards, MD'36 receives baton from Frank Nobbs, Arch'36
Right: Principal Bernard Shapiro, 1996

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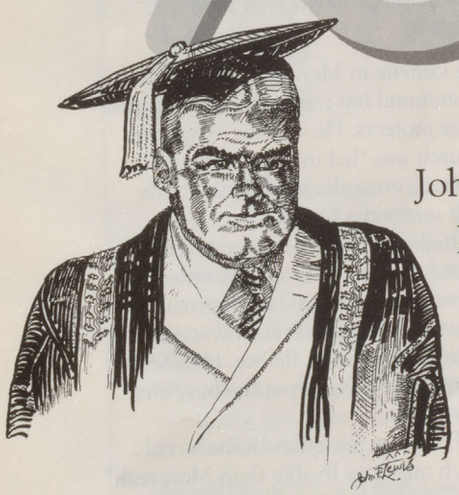
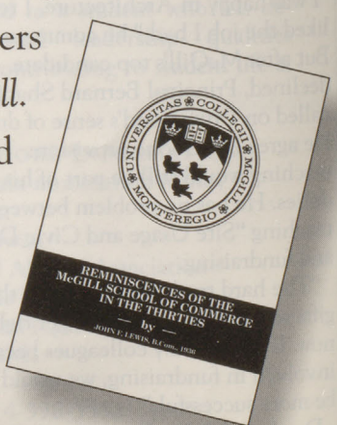
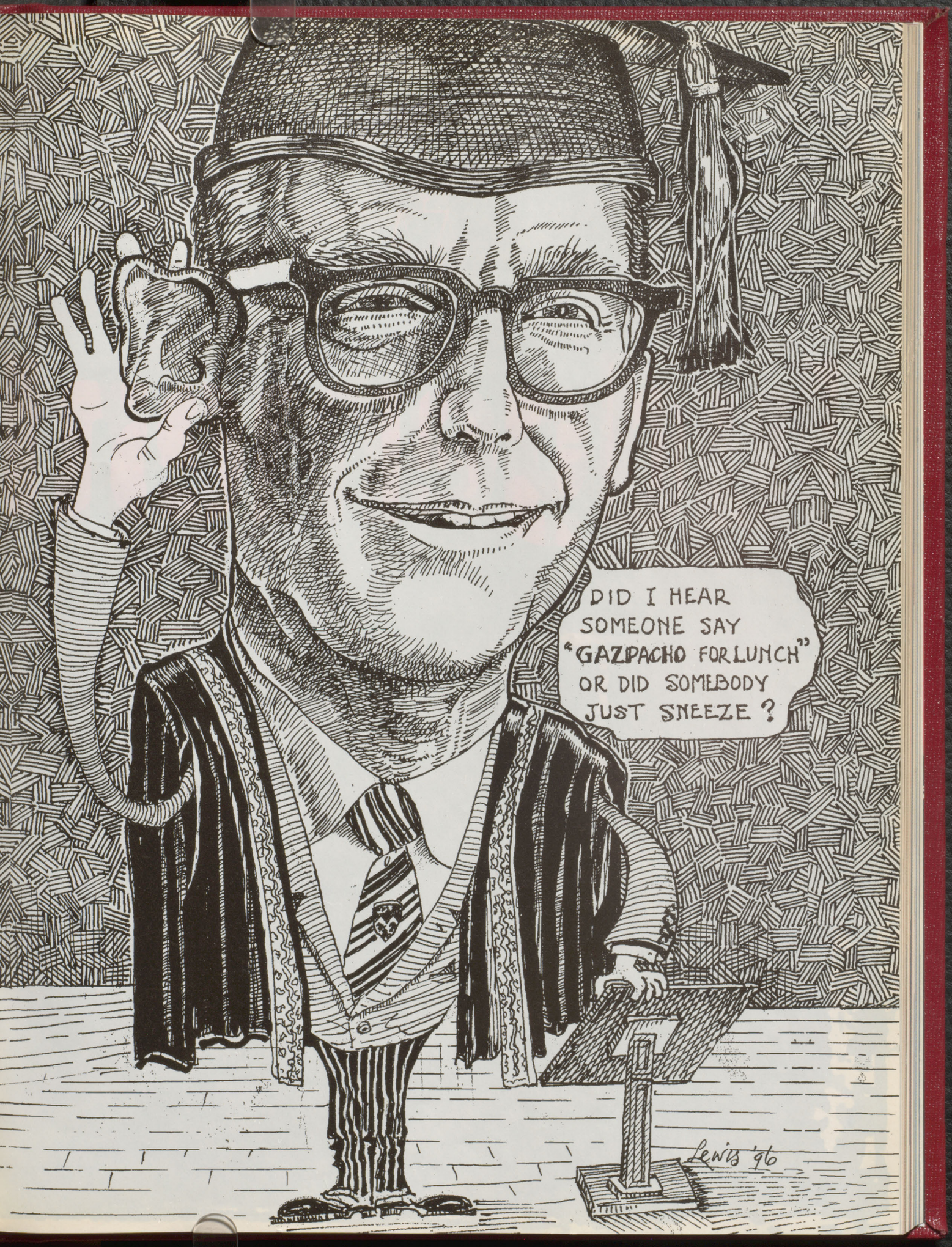


Above sketch: Sir Edward Beatty
Above right: Professor Eugene Alfred Forsey

John F. Lewis, BCom'36, began drawing McGill's most memorable characters for the *McGill Daily* and *Old McGill*. He lives in Hudson, Quebec, and recently published his memoirs, *Reminiscences of the McGill School of Commerce in the Thirties*, which includes a selection of his drawings. For a copy, please call Susan Reid at (514) 398-3557.




DID I HEAR SOMEONE SAY "GAZPACHO FOR LUNCH" OR DID SOMEBODY JUST SNEEZE?
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Alumni Judges put down the gavel and offer up some of their most interesting cases

by Janice Paskey

Judgement

Imagine going to work every morning with the word "justice" before your name. Judge. Justice. The Honourable. Who has more honorifics than a judge? As name specialist Leonard Ashley notes, lawyers make the rules in any society, and lawyers like honorifics. Regardless, the position commands respect. Judges are the final secular arbitrator in any society. Judges interpret and uphold the laws in our society. They are responsible for sentencing and offering comments on crime. Their cases stand on public record. And as some judges will tell you, they have heard it all. Yet why should law students have all the fun? Come into the courtroom with McGill's alumni judges.

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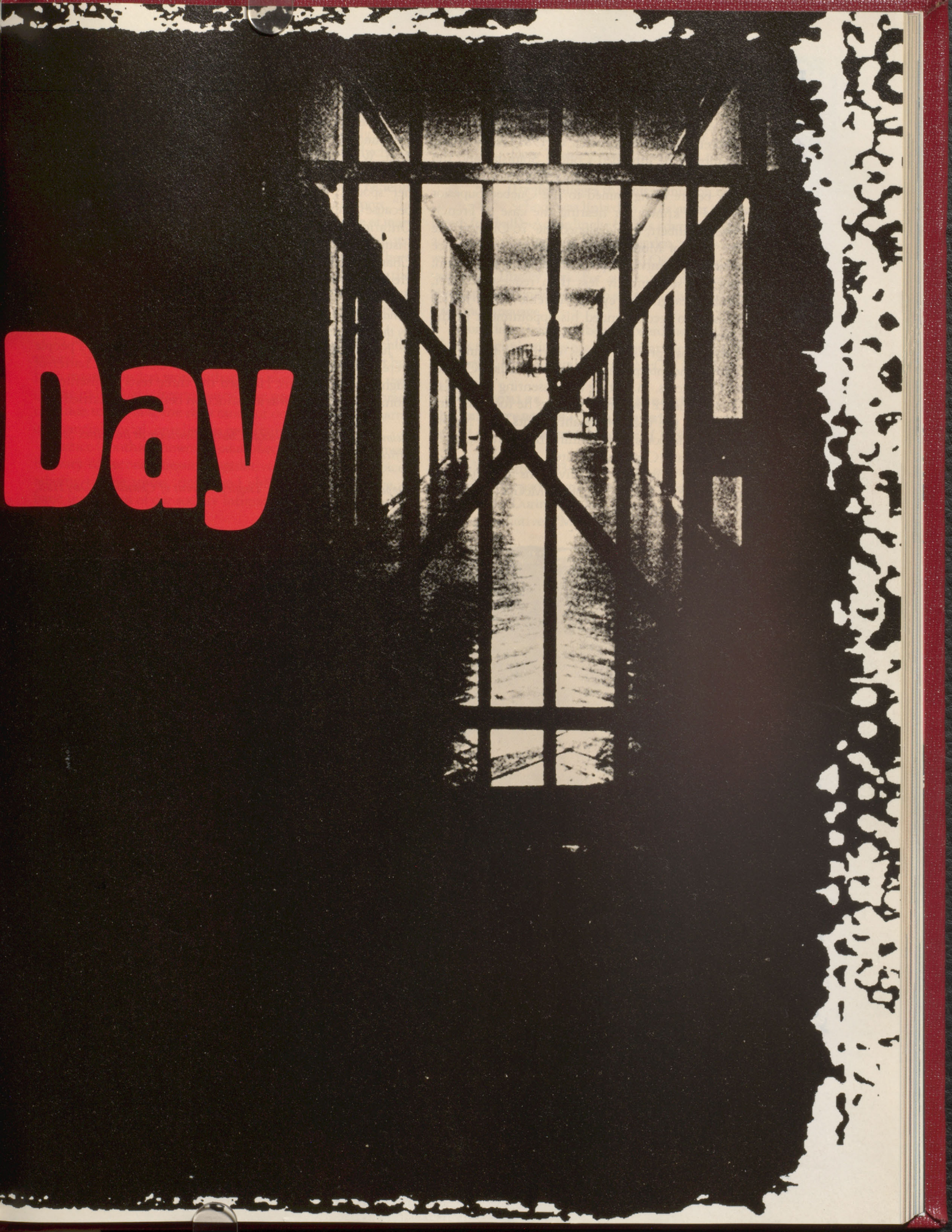


THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE CHARLES GONTHIER, BCL'51, LLD'90, THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA

Charles Joseph Doherty Gonthier was named to the Supreme Court of Canada in 1989. A native of Montreal, he attended Collège Stanislas and the McGill Faculty of Law. Justice Gonthier practised law before being named to the Quebec Superior Court where he is known for hearing the case of French architect Roger Taillibert, who designed the '76 Olympic site and sued the City of Montreal for his design fees. Justice Gonthier personally climbed atop the stadium for inspection; Taillibert received substantially less than requested. Later, Charles Gonthier caught the eye of Supreme Court Justice Brian Dickson, who recommended his appointment to the Supreme Court.

One of the most pressing issues currently facing the Supreme Court is the interpretation of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. In writing the dissenting opinion in Miron vs. Trudel, Justice Gonthier, 68, says he took his "first stab" at writing on the issue of equality rights. The Miron-Trudel case is very important in defining the word "spouse", which appears in many Canadian statutes.

Justice Gonthier is married with five sons and still finds time to serve on the editorial board of the *McGill Law Journal* and to advise the student editors.

⚖ Definition of "Spouse" Miron vs. Trudel (1994)

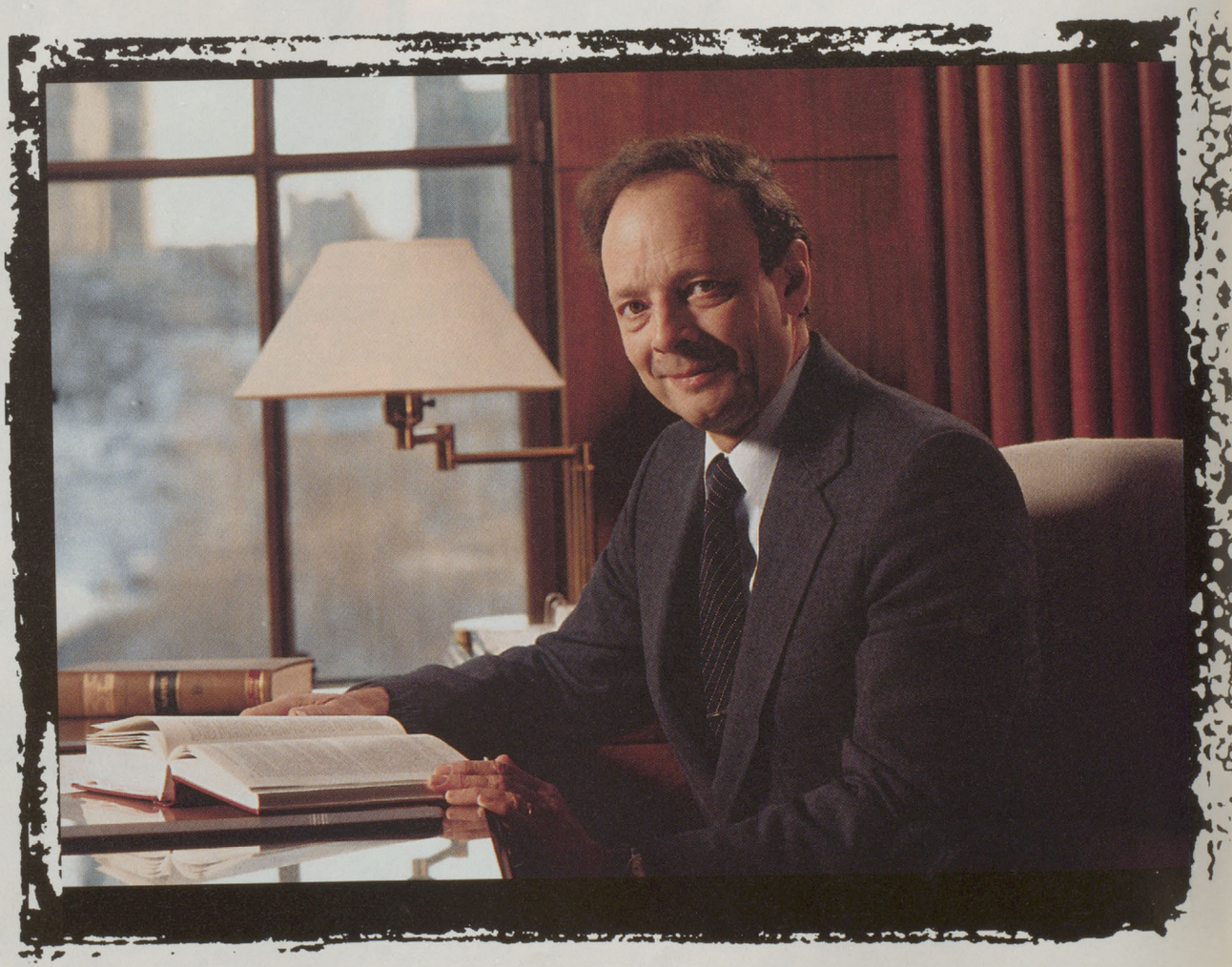
The case: John Miron and Jocelyne Vallière lived together in a common-law relationship for 11 years with their two children. When John was injured in a car accident, he made a claim against Jocelyne's insurance, which extended benefits to her "spouse". The claim was denied by the insurance company because John was not considered to be a legal spouse. The Ontario Court of Appeal dismissed the claim that the Insurance Act was discriminatory under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. The Supreme Court considered the discrimnation and voted 4-3 in favour of the couple.

Charles Gonthier wrote the dissenting opinion: "*An additional element ditinguishing marriage is the permanence accepted by the parties to he marriage contract.*"

Justice Gonthier had to decide whether unmarried people were discriminated against under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. He used the three tests of discrimination: whether there was a distinction between unmarried peo-

Below: Supreme Court Judge Charles Gonthier at his Sussex Street office in Ottawa

Opposite right: Daniel H. Tingley in front of Chancellor Day Hall, the McGill Facuty of Law



ple and others, whether unmarried people were disadvantaged, and whether being unmarried was a personal characteristic akin to a racial or gender characteristic.

"The question raised by the case at bar is intimately linked with the institution of marriage, the importance of which has long been recognized in our society." Gontlier stressed the integrity of the marriage contract and its "bundle of benefits and burdens" including the obligation for muual support. "In my view, freedom of choice and the contractul nature of marriage are crucial to understanding why distinctions premised on marital status are not necessarily discriminatory: Where individuals choose not to marry, it would undermine the choice they have made if the state were to impose upon them the very same burdens and benefits which it imposes on married persons."

In writing the majority opinion, Justice Beverly McLachlin argued, "Historically, in our society, the unmaried partner has been regarded as less worthy than the marriedpartner. In theory the individual is free to marry", she wrote, but not in practice, due to the law, the reluctance of one's partner to marry, or financial, social, or religious constraints."

Justice Gonthier, however, cautioned that 'the courts must be wary of second guessing legislative social policy choices relating to the status, rights and obligations of marriage, a basic institution of our society intimately relaed to its fundamental values."

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DANIEL H. TINGLEY BA'63, BCL'63, QUEBEC SUPERIOR COURT

A partner in the Montreal firm of Lafleur, Brown, Dan Tingley was appointed to the Quebec Superior Court in 1992. Born in Winnipeg, Judge Tingley alleges that his admission to McGill Law School was linked to skills other than academic. (read: football). Accordingly, he has advocated that McGill's admissions process look beyond marks. "It was a shame. We were losing adventurous students to Queen's and to other universities," Tingley says. For a number of years, McGill has given special consideration to students who did high school in a second language.

A longtime Graduates' Society board member, Judge Tingley, 58, has taught business organization at McGill and libel law at Concordia. He is a member of the McGill Board of Governors.

⚖ A Promise Made and Accepted
The mistress vs. the estate of her married Westmount lover (1993)

(Note: While the 1993 case is public record, names have been omitted as the parties still live in Montreal.)

The case: During the last 19 years of his life, a Montreal shipping executive, "Mr. Z," maintained two lives, a public

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one with his wife and a private one with his mistress. When he died, he left everything to his wife. The wife first learned of the other woman when, following the memorial service, her husband's longtime accountant asked her if she knew of the "other house". The other house was on Roslyn Avenue, less than 2 kilometres away from her Mount Pleasant home in Westmount.

At the hearing, the mistress told of first living in and running the Montpetit Street apartment building bought by Mr. Z's incorporated firm. Once a television performer, the mistress stopped working to make herself more available for Mr. Z. The Montpetit apartment was sold and the firm bought the Roslyn Avenue house where the mistress lived rent free. Mr. Z. also paid her $18,000 per year. Before his death, he instructed his accountant to wind up the firm and to give part of the Roslyn property sale proceeds to the "present tenant". The mistress claimed that Mr. Z. planned to give her the proceeds from the gain on the sale of the Montpetit property for her services as manager. He gave her a cheque for the amount but cautioned her there were insufficient funds. She photocopied the cheque and returned it.

Judge Tingley conceded, "There is no basis in our civil law to enforce or sanction a mere promise." He added, "Our Courts will, however, sanction a promise that has been accepted for that is at the heart of the formation of a contract." Judge Tingley decided that the mistress should be compensated based on three events: the purchase of the Roslyn property, the giving of the cheque, and Mr. Z's final instructions to his accountant. "He did not want his wife to know of his private life yet he did want to honour his commitment to (mistress's name)," wrote Judge Tingley. The mistress was awarded $162,450 for the gain on the sales of the Montpetit and Roslyn properties. The case is under appeal.

⚖ Celliers du Monde Inc. vs. La Société des Alcools du Québec (SAQ) (1996)

The case: It was 8 pm on a Friday night last summer when Dan Tingley was asked to hear an urgent case. Two bottles of wine were plunked in front of him. "Are these for me?" asked the hopeful judge. Alas, they were not. They were evidence. The local distributors of "Le Caballero de Chile, Cosecha Reservada" Chilean wine asked Judge Tingley to order the SAQ to reinstate distribution throughout Quebec. The SAQ, a Quebec government-owned monopoly, argued that the words "Cosecha Reservada" on the promotional collar were not translated into French and thus violated Quebec language laws. Judge Tingley saw that the translation "Cuvée Réserve" appeared on the front label. He heard that the $9 wine had won an award as the best in its class, and the promotional label was added to publicize that fact.

"By the time I understood the problem," said Judge Tingley, "I was both thirsty and angry. I told the SAQ lawyers that it was not their client's business to decide on matters of language, but to deliver quality wine. The SAQ operates a virtual monopoly in the distribution of wine to convenience stores in Quebec. Its refusal was tantamount to keeping the competition out." He ordered the SAQ to deliver the Caballero wine with the collars. The judge left empty-handed that night, but was able to purchase the Caballero wine the following Monday. The parties later settled out of court.

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE BENJAMIN J. GREENBERG, BA'54, BCL'57. QUEBEC SUPERIOR COURT

Benjamin J. Greenberg was a top law student at McGill. He won the Elizabeth Torrance Gold Medal, given for the highest standing in his graduating class, and the Macdonald Travelling Scholarship, which he used to study law at the Sorbonne. He also won the IME Prize for commercial law, the Montreal Bar Association prizes in civil law and civil procedure and the Greenshields Prize for criminal law. Married with three children, Justice Greenberg practised corporate and commercial law in Montreal and was active in the Jewish community. In 1976, he was appointed to the Quebec Superior Court. Last year, at 62, he was "Judge in Residence" at the McGill Faculty of Law, as part of the new National Judicial Study Leave Fellowship Program. He studied Charter law, gave several lectures and coached McGill students in the competitive mooting programs. Justice Greenberg plans to retire at 65, then pursue the growing field of alternative dispute resolution.

⚖ The Oka Case
Her Majesty The Queen vs. Ronald Cross and Gordon Lazore (1992)

The case: When the Municipal Council of the Village of Oka, Quebec, proposed enlarging the Oka golf course in 1990, the Mohawks rose in defiance. They had unsuccessfully opposed the golf course 30 years ago and now feared disturbance of "the Pines" and the ancient Mohawk cemetery. (In the Sentence, Judge Greenberg presented a thorough history of Mohawk claims on the land, and its special spiritual and cultural importance.) The Mohawks of Kanehsatake erected a barricade which one judge ordered removed. Negotiations between the Mohawks and the Government of Quebec were interrupted by a Sûreté du Québec (Quebec provincial police) raid which led to violence, the death of one officer, and barricades, including one which blocked the Mercier Bridge, preventing many Montrealers from getting to work. The judge noted that although Ronald Cross, known as "Lasagna" in the media, and Gordon Lazore, known as "Noriega," were charged with 59 counts, many others were involved.

The first set of counts was for violence against fellow Mohawks Francis Jacobs and Ronald Bonspille, who organized house patrols at Oka to deter thefts in the area blocked off by Mohawk barricades. Cross believed that Jacobs had called in the media to televise his motorbike being tossed off a truck and set aflame. He and five others beat Jacobs and his son Cory with a baseball bat and destroyed their car. The group then traveled to Bonspille's house where they destroyed a Kahnesatake ambulance parked out front. Bonspille's son had fled the house in his underwear and hid in the bushes nearby.

Justice Greenberg wrote, "In respect of the Jacobs and Bonspille incidents, the victims being fellow Mohawks, the comments which I made concerning the mistreatment over the years of the native peoples by the wider society can play no mitigating role whatsoever." The second set of charges dealt with conflicts with the Canadian army.

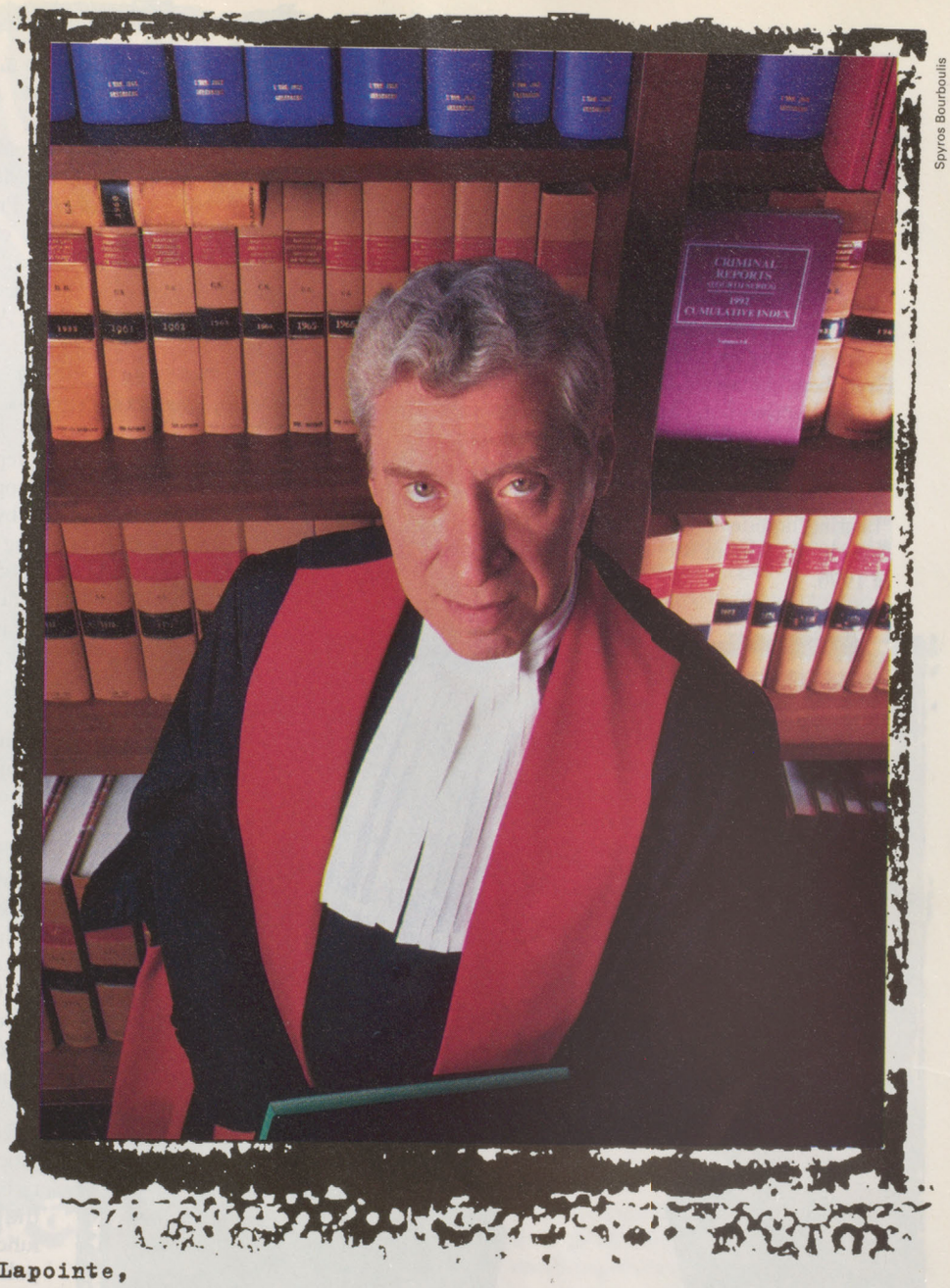
Greenberg wrote, "Lasagna's public image was purely a creation of the media" and that there was no evidence he led the Warrior Society. "I am satisfied that he was not motivated by greed or reasons of personal gain. He acted out of a deep anger,

rage, desperation and sense of hopelessness, all the result of systematic discrimination and racism against his people over several centuries."

"It is now my duty to impose Sentence. In my view, that duty is manifestly the most difficult and delicate one which a judge can be called upon to perform." Greenberg decided some sentences would be served concurrently. Cross received 52 months of imprisonment and Lazore received 23 months. Both were ordered not to possess firearms.

"Perhaps the irony will not be lost on the accused and their counsel. After the bitter struggle which they waged last April (in this case) on the language issue and the question of whether or not the Crown prosecutors had the right to use French in this trial, it was the contradictory French version of Section 85(2) which saved each of the accused from at least one more consecutive year of imprisonment!" That section provided for the serving of an additional sentence consecutively when a firearm was used while committing another offence.

"I cannot close the present chapter of this Sentence without also mentioning the many tens of millions of dollars which this entire episode has cost the Government of the Province of Quebec, and hence, its taxpayers, you and me!"



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Benjamin J. Greenberg in his office at the Palais de Justice

⚖ The Barnabé Case
Sa Majesté La Reine vs. Pierre Bergeron, André Lapointe, Michel Vadeboncoeur, Louis Samson (1995)

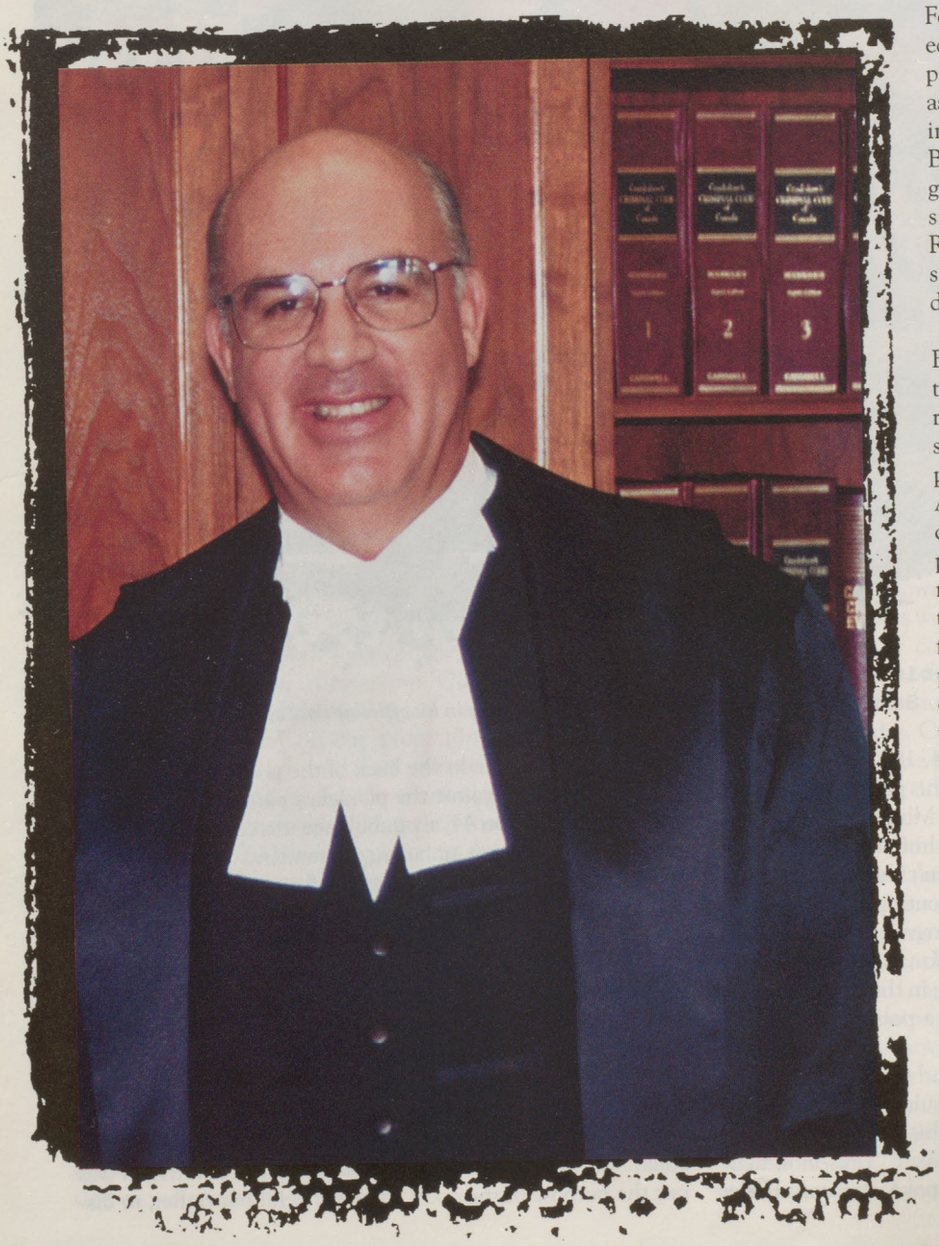
The case: At 3:30 am on December 14, 1993, Montreal taxi driver Richard Barnabé went to talk to his priest at l'Église des Saints-Martyrs canadiens in northeast Montreal. He was extremely upset that his wife wouldn't let him see his son during the Christmas holidays. The priest wasn't there and Barnabé kicked in a church window while shouting hysterically. A neighbour called 911. When police arrived Barnabé bolted and led several police cars on a 10-km high speed chase through red lights and stop signs, ending in the driveway of his brother's home in Laval. (His brother, a police sergeant, did not come out.)

During that chase, Barnabé attempted to run down officer Lapointe after his vehicle and two pursuing police cars temporarily stopped in a dead-end street. In his brother's driveway, Barnabé refused to submit to arrest, yelling: "Tirez-moi, tuez-moi." ("Shoot me, kill me"). He also spoke of Satan, Hitler and the Mafia. Once in the back of the police car, he banged his head and feet against the plexiglass partition. After arriving at Police Station 44, an ambulance was called but Barnabé refused help; the two ambulance attendants believed he was intoxicated or psychotic, and called for more help (Later, no alcohol was found in his blood). When assistance arrived, Barnabé had been very forcibly restrained by police in his cell and was in a coma suffering from 13 injuries including a broken nose, a cracked cheekbone, roadburns to his knees, and broken ribs. Five officers were charged, four men and one woman. After eight days of deliberation following a three-month trial, the jury acquitted the woman and found the four men guilty of assault causing bodily harm.

In his sentencing, Justice Greenberg noted that the court could not improve the situation of the victim and that it was not the purpose of the court to be vergeful but rather, to dis-

pense justice. He found the police officers trained in an outdated and dangerous restraint style, that is, holding a person face down on the ground which can lead to heart attack and asphyxia. Justice Greenberg cited medical evidence of Barnabé's paranoid aggressive state and about whether some of the injuries were self-inflicted. The officers, Justice Greenberg noted, had no prior criminal records. Bergeron, Lapointe and Samson were given prison sentences to be served on weekends while Michel Vadeboncoeur got a two-year probation and was ordered to perform community service in a long-term care hospital.

In submitting this case to the *McGill News*, Judge Greenberg commented, "Most people felt the sentences were lenient but they don't know the facts of the case. There was no evidence of external blows [to Richard Barnabé]." He feels that the media misreported the case, especially the English media, as epitomized in *The Gazette's* powerful headline, "Beating liquifies brain." The case was heard and written in French. Taxi driver Richard Barnabé died during the summer of 1996.



MR. JUSTICE RONALD L. BERGER, BA'64, BCL'67, COURT OF APPEAL OF ALBERTA, CALGARY

Born in Montreal, Justice Berger, 54, was second in his class at McGill Law School, winning the Greenshields Prize in Criminal Law and a fellowship to study criminal law at the University of Pennsylvania. He was in private practice before being appointed to the Queen's Bench of Alberta in 1985, and to the Court of Appeal of Alberta in 1996.

⚖ National Party of Canada vs. Canadian Broadcasting Corp. (1993)

The case: Mel Hurtig, representing the National Party of Canada, was denied the opportunity to participate in a political debate televised by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) during the last federal election. The CBC was part of a consortium of broadcasters who established criteria for participation in the debates. For instance, only parties with an elected member of parliament could participate. Hurtig and the National Party asked the court to order the CBC to include him in the debates. Justice Berger had to decide if the CBC was a government entity falling under provisions in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, and if the exclusion of Mel Hurtig was a government decision.

Justice Berger examined the Canadian Broadcast Act and laws pertaining to the CBC. He wrote that, "the statutory scheme, I find has as its object to safeguard the journalistic integrity and programming independence of CBC. Absent cogent evidence of mischief calculated to subvert the democratic process and absent evidence of statutory breach, this Court should not enter the broadcasting arena and usurp the functions of the broadcast media. The political agenda is best left to politicians and the electorate; television programming is best left to the independent judgement of broadcast journalists and producers."

Justice Berger concluded, "The decision of the CBC was a non-governmental decision and not subject to Charter scrutiny."

Left:
Mr. Justice Ronald L. Berger, BA'64, BCL'67. Court of Appeal of Alberta, Calgary

Opposite:
Lilliana Torreh-Bayouth in Miami

Donna Victor

JUDGE LILLIANA TORREH-BAYOUTH, BA'79
U.S. IMMIGRATION COURT, MIAMI

Lilliana Torreh-Bayouth wanted to attend university in England, but her father, Hiram Torreh Rigual, a Puerto Rican Supreme Court Justice, wanted her to study in the United States. They compromised on Canada (and McGill) where Torreh-Bayouth studied political science before attending the University of Texas Law School. She then became a specialist in immigration and family law in Miami. "I didn't have the temperament for a lawyer," she reflected recently. "If I lost a case I took it personally and suffered more than my clients." Her appointment as a Judge of the U.S. Immigration Court in December 1995 was a welcome change. Torreh-Bayouth, 37, was surprised to find the judicial role a natural one. The cases principally concern illegal aliens from Haiti, Cuba and Nicaragua. "Most are economic refugees and I can feel really bad about sending them back, but I have to uphold the law which is more conservative than in Canada." Judge Torreh-Bayouth's special interest is animal rights. She has served as volunteer attorney for the Animal Legal Defense Fund and Animal Rights Foundation of Florida.

Asylum and Homosexuality (1996)

The case: An Honduran woman facing deportation from the United States asked for asylum. The defendant testified that she feared persecution because she was a lesbian. She said at age 12 she ran into trouble at school for forcibly kissing another girl, then had trouble at home and left at 13. At 15, she had a relationship with a girl whose brother threatened her and told her he'd teach her "what a real man was like." About three weeks later, she said she was abducted and raped by four men, but did not report the incident to police. She moved to Guatemala where she was threatened, and to Mexico where she supervised male construction workers. The defendant said she was beaten up by one worker who said "gay people cannot be bossing Mexicans around." She returned to Honduras for six incident-free months, then came to the United States.

Judge Torreh-Bayouth considered the criteria for asylum based on persecution. "First, was the respondent persecuted on account of her membership in a particular social group; second, was this persecution by the government or by a group which the government is unwilling to control; third, is this persecution country-wide; and fourth, would it allow for granting asylum on the basis of past persecution even if it's shown that there is no well-founded fear of persecution upon return?

"In sum, the respondent had a complex burden in this case. She had to demonstrate not only that she was raped and that she was a lesbian, but also that she was raped because she was a lesbian, that this was done by a person or group whom Honduras is unwilling or unable to stop, and that her fear of persecution would be countrywide."

Judge Torreh-Bayouth decided that the defendant did not meet her burden of proof. Instead of forcible deportation, however, the judge decided the Honduran woman qualified under the Immigration and Nationality Act for voluntary departure contingent on "good moral character for at least the last five years." Judge Torreh-Bayouth gave the defendant six months to voluntarily leave the United States in order "to prepare herself emotionally and financially."

Academic Moves

To stay or to go? McGill professors are weighing their salaries, Montreal, and Quebec politics. Most are staying put.

by Patrick McDonagh and Janice Paskey

People come and people go. English Montrealers know that well. Since last year's referendum on Quebec sovereignty, Quebec has seen the largest exodus since 1982, some 7,500 people. McGill is no ivory tower in that regard. Some big name professors have gone, including every single political theorist. In the last three years, McGill has lost 172 professors (60 to early retirement) and hired 85. And though there is no way to know how many left because of politics, some say it was a key factor.

Yet there is no shortage of professors who want to come to McGill or to live in Montreal, a city ranked as one of the most liveable in the world. Not to mention cachet. Montreal is the largest French-speaking city in the world after Paris. At the same time, McGill is money-hampered. The Quebec government cut McGill by $14.5 million in 1996, and plans another $16 to 18 million cut next year. Add political uncertainty to that. To stay or to go? In examining the situation, one must untwine a complicated confluence of politics and economics.

After the narrow defeat of the sovereignty option last fall, Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, said recruiting and retaining top faculty could be affected by the perception of political instability. Currently, there is little trouble attracting entry-level professors, as jobs are scarce in academia. But the best professors are mobile and frequently offered better-paying positions. Some are assessing their futures.

At one end of the spectrum are Professors Bart and Vivian Hamilton, formerly of the departments of Economics and Medicine respectively, who left McGill because of Quebec Premier Jacques Parizeau's infamous comment on referendum night blaming defeat on "argent et le vote ethnique." The comment was widely interpreted as casting English speakers (traditionally seen as the rich in Quebec) and non-purelaine francophone voters as outsiders. Vivian, who is of Asian descent, was struck by the racist implications of Parizeau's speech. "I didn't feel welcome in Quebec, mostly because of the Parti Québécois. I have lots of francophone friends, and without the political unrest, I would have been happy to stay."

Top brain researcher David Kaplan moved to the Montreal Neurological Institute from the U.S. National Institute for Cancer Research

Their decision was instantaneous: "I didn't stay up for the final referendum results, but when Bart came to bed, he said, 'That's it, we're leaving.' " Vivian, a health economist who was born in Montreal and brought up in California, holds both Canadian and American citizenship; she met Bart, also from California, when they were doctoral students at Stanford University. Both are now at Washington University in St. Louis, a privately endowed institution, earning double their McGill salaries.

Yet both expressed regret at leaving Montreal. Says Bart, "We liked McGill and have lots of friends there, but it's hard to believe that you can buy a house and raise children with the instability. We liked living in Montreal, but who needs it? Why not go to the U.S., where you know you'll be in the same country in five years?"

Ron Brown, who recently became Chair of Chemistry at the University of Northern British Columbia, also attributes part of his decision to Parizeau's speech. "If not for the referendum, I wouldn't have left McGill – I was very happy there, and wouldn't have put my name in the competition. But after the referendum, Premier Parizeau's speech helped me decide what to do when I got the offer."

Sitting in his McGill office, Principal Shapiro outlines the factors affecting professors' decisions to come to a university and settle there. Job availability. Salaries. Intellectual excitement. Living environment. "Everybody worth having has options.The challenge for us is to be competitive at financial and intellectual levels in very difficult budget circumstances. The final issue becomes, 'What's Montreal like as a place to live?' "

Politics aside, most agree Montreal is a great place to live. "Vibrant, bilingual, multicultural, gastronomic and safe," in the words of a visiting professor. Derek Drummond, Vice-Principal (Development and Alumni Relations) adds, "The city is not only safe, but it has activity and life. People are strolling the streets downtown at 3 am. Compare that to the core of most major cities." But do Montreal's charms compensate for political instability? Says Vice-Principal (Academic) Bill Chan, "The political issue is a factor and has been since 1976. From my observation, it plays both ways – one is that it does deter some people from coming or encourages some to leave, but on the other hand it also ofers a challenge to people who are willing to take cultural risks. It very much depends upon the individual."

There are many such people. For example, brain researcher David Kaplan. He says his upbringing in New York prepared him for Montreal's linguistic idiosyncracies. Kaplan, 40, left the National Institute for Cancer Research for the Montreal Neurological Institute, affiliated with McGill's Faculty of Medicine, to co-direct a new Brain Tumour Research Centre. In his first months, the indefatigable Kaplan, who completed his doctorate at Harvard, co-founded Exogen Neurosciences, a new company with a mandate to combat neurodegenerative diseases. He is also the first recipient of the $350,000 Harold E. Johns Award from the National Cancer Institute of Canada. Kaplan says McGill's appeal lies in itsresearch environment. "The pool of talent and skill here is terific." Another draw is the self-effacing "Canadian persona" "Research seems to involve less ego in Canada than in theU.S.," he says. "It's easier to bring people together to work for a common aim."

Kaplan knows about bringing peope together: the Centre is hiring four more neuroscientists. "Certainly the candidates are concerned about the political situaion, but when we show them the facilities and the city, they want to come," he says. The new team is even bucking the local real estate trend: so far, they're all planning to buy houses ("Either they don't read the papers, or they want to stay," obseves Kaplan). Montreal has the cheapest rents and housing prices for a city its size in North America, and an ample supply – there are about 20 houses on the market for every buyer, and hundreds of available apartments.

Other departments are successful inrecruiting, if they have the budget to hire. William Rowe, Diector of the School of Social Work, was surprised to have a dozen well-qualified candidates for a recent opening despite an ongoing threat of

Quebec separation. Gary Wihl, BA'76, MA'78, chair of the English department, also notes, "We've been successful at attracting excellent people," adding, "Candidates circulate in a competitive market, and McGill has shrinking resources." Meanwhile, Jacques Derome, BSc'63, MSc'64, chair of the Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences, laments, "I wish I knew whether there was a problem attracting professors, even though we've just lost two faculty members – we can't afford to hire anyone new. I wish I could find out, though!" McGill's Dean of Medicine, Abraham Fuks, BSc'68, MD'70, says, "I am far more worried about the economic environment than the political environment. If we have budget cuts that make it difficult to offer the research opportunities we do now, then we could experience difficulty recruiting."

Echoing Fuks, VP (Academic) Bill Chan says, "I'm most concerned with salaries." McGill's average salary for all professors is $68,399, whereas the average for the top 10 research universities in Canada is $75,155; the University of Toronto's average salary is $83,515. The difference is more dramatic for junior faculty, the future of any institution: the minimum salary for an assistant professor at McGill is $43,000, the lowest of any Canadian research university. Does McGill pay less because so many people want to work here? "You bet," concedes one academic in charge of hiring.

Peter Gibian and Wendy Owens started their twins Rebecca and Rachel in French-language daycare and will send them to French-language schools

The problem is primarily one of public finance. Reuven Brenner, the REPAP Chair in Economics in the Faculty of Management, says political and economic problems are linked. "Because of the political situation the government doesn't have money, budgets get cut, and the university cannot afford to pay its professors." Brenner advocates privatizing McGill, with tuition fees customized for each department. "Then the University can pay professors enough to compensate for the political uncertainty." McGill's administration doesn't agree on privatization but wants flexibility to compensate for government cuts. McGill's Principal proposes increasing tuition fees to the Canadian average of $2,600, and instituting mandatory retirement. He wants to increase fundraising dollars. In order to keep big names like Brenner, for instance, McGill relies on endowed chairs; 16 were added in McGill's recent fundraising campaign.

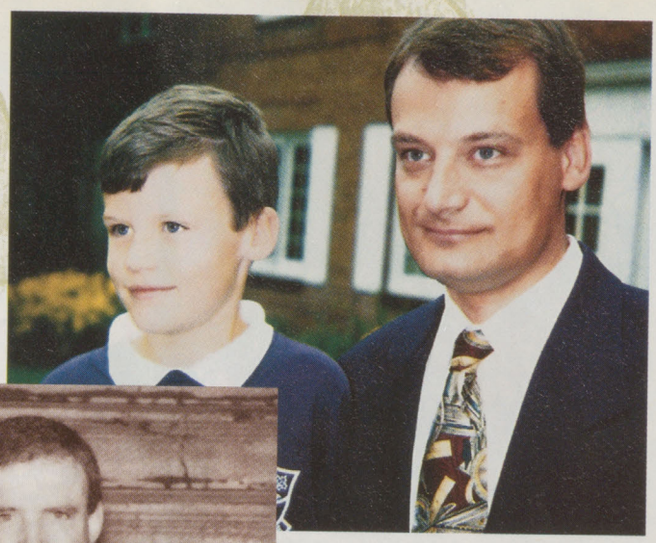
Quebec's education law also plays a role when some professors are deciding whether to stay or go. The law states that parents in Quebec can educate their children in English only if one of the parents was also schooled in English in Canada. All other children must go to school in French. Since most English-language private schools accept government funding, they won't accept kids trying to beat the system.

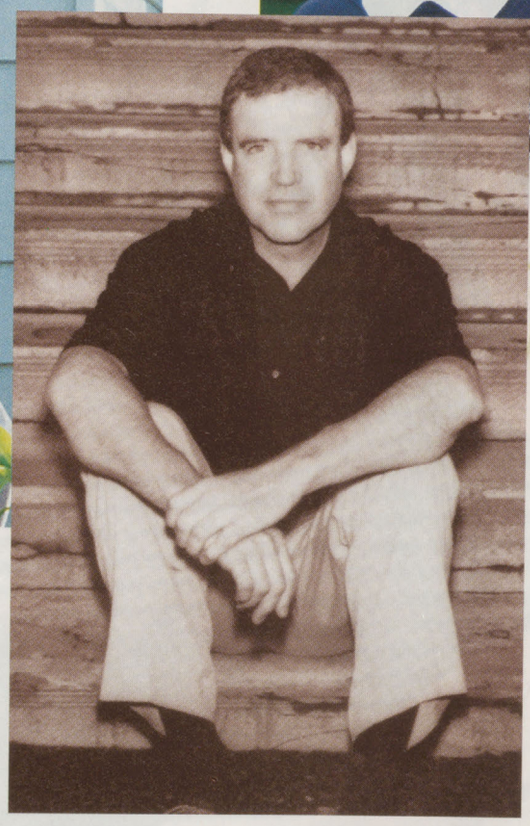
Recruited just last year to the Nortel/NSERC Photonics Chair in Electrical Engineering, Frank Tooley has decided to return to Heriot-Watt University in Edinburgh. He is the second Photonics Chair-holder to depart; the previous occupant, Scott Hinton, an American, left after two years because he had seven school-aged children he wanted to educate in English. Tooley has two children, one school-aged. At present, Tooley has kept his child in an English school by producing one-year work permits. "The problem is," says Tooley, "if I were to decide to stay, I couldn't keep getting one-year permits. I would have to get landed immigrant status, and then I would have to remove Stuart from his English school and place him in a French school. That's a disincentive for someone of my background: I see the advantages that an English education gives you in being able to go to a huge number of places around the world." Tooley won't be leaving without regrets, though: "There's a lot that I'll miss – even the winters."

Some parents take a different approach. When Americans Peter Gibian, a McGill English professor with a PhD from Stanford, and his wife Wendy Owens, Assistant Director of Museum Services at the Canadian Centre for Architecture, moved to Montreal, they renewed their French skills and sent their twin girls to French-language daycare. Their lively four-year-olds have reaped the benefits. Gibian says, "They're completely bilingual – they've become good at mediating between French and English kids. And the unilingual anglophone and francophone adults we know are pretty envious of them." But, like Tooley, Gibian does not support the law. "We would have put our daughters in a French school anyway, although it's frustrating that we don't have the choice." The family is optimistic that the majority of Quebecers will oppose sovereignty and so recently bought a new house. "I left a good job in the States and came here in a spirit of adventure. I thought it would be exciting to be at a major English research institute in the heart of a French city. Montreal is a multicultural society that really works."

Likewise, Andrew Kirk, new to Electrical Engineering, claims "the Quebec situation was almost an added incentive, to come and see what it was really like." Kirk and his wife Jackie, originally from England, previously worked in Brussels ("which also had its linguistic problems") and Tokyo ("where we had linguistic problems").

Despite the arrival of enthusiastic recruits, some big names have left, notably architecture professor Witold Rybczynski and James Tully, the internationally recognized political theorist who was head of Philosophy. He moved west this summer to chair the Political Science department at the University of Victoria. Tully is emphatic: "I was not fleeing an unhappy situation; Victoria offered an attractive position with many incentives. The referendum may have played a role in my decision, but if I add up all the factors there is a good likeli-





Clockwise from top: Frank Tooley is returning to Edinburgh so that his son can go to school in English; Witold Rybczynski has moved south of the border; Political theorist James Tully got an offer he couldn't refuse in Victoria. He believes the Quebec government should enshrine anglo rights.

hood that I would have accepted the Victoria job anyway." Still, his loss marks the end of an era at McGill; with his move to Victoria, James Booth's year's leave to try out Vanderbilt University in Tennessee, Charles Taylor, BA'52, on two-year leave and John Shingler's retirement, McGill's stellar political theory team has vanished. The 1996 graduate handbook reads, "Due to unforeseen circumstances, political theory is not currently offered as a field of graduate studies." Courses are being primarily taught by a sessional lecturer while the Faculty of Arts tries to come up with money for a tenure-track postion. The idea of an endowed chair for the discipline is being seriously considered.

James Tully has thoughts on how the Quebec government could deal with the threat of a brain drain, though: "If [Premier Lucien] Bouchard would write anglo rights in stone, if we had a clear statement of where the Parti Québécois stands – some real commitment from the sovereignty movement, not just verbal, saying theirs is a pluralist nationalism, with protection for Bill 86 [allowing English on signs], universities, CEGEPs, etc. – then you could have language disputes, but always with the knowledge that there is a safety net."

Witold Rybczynski, BArch'66, MArch'72, laid out his reasons for leaving in *City Life*, his latest best-seller. Among other reasons, he identifies Quebec's sovereignty movement: "Although I wished the French Canadians well, their passionate quest for political independence seemed to me quixotic at best and foolhardy at worst. In either case, their quest was not my own." Rybczynski is now the Martin and Margy Meyerson Professor of Urbanism at the University of Pennsylvania.

Yet other professors reject the American option. Consider the case of British-born sociologist John Hall, who was offered a position at Boston University at double the salary, but felt the lure of Montreal strongly enough to remain at McGill. "Montreal is a great place for an academic – the diversity of people here is fascinating. For a sociologist like me, it's a laboratory," he says. Principal Shapiro theorizes, "There are people of two different kinds. There are people for whom the francophone fact of Quebec makes it unusual and exciting, and there are those people for whom that's daunting and not attractive. It doesn't relate to the quality of people; it relates to what makes them tick."

A deep attachment to Montreal is easy to understand, as most people who have lived here can attest. Will Straw, MA'81, PhD'91, Acting Director of the Graduate Program in Communications and Director of the Centre for Research in Canadian Cultural Industries and Institutions, will remain even if Quebec separates. "As long as there is a commitment to maintain English universities, I'll be here. I love Montreal. I love Quebec. I think that Quebec has a right to determine its future, and I want to be a part of it."

THE RED BLOOD CELL MAN

Thomas Chang is the Jules Verne of artificial blood research. Going where no man has gone before, Chang's steadfast commitment to basic research has given life to artificial blood

by André Picard

In 1956, Thomas Ming Swi Chang, an undergraduate student in physiology, wanted to impress upon his professors that he was serious about science. The 23-year-old decided he would build artificial blood cells, a notion considered as fanciful as impossible. "I thought if artificial organs could be built – why not the basic unit, the cell? I was naive."

By transforming his Douglas Hall residence room into a makeshift laboratory, Chang soon achieved his goal. Equipped with only a cheap perfume atomiser, some collodion (a cellulose nitrate solution that, at the time, was used to coat wounds) and haemoglobin borrowed from a lab, and blessed with room-mates who were indulgent about the nasty smell, the science student managed to build one-millimetre-round thin plastic cells that contained haemoglobin, the compound in red blood cells that carries oxygen and whisks away carbon dioxide.

Forty years later, Chang, BSc'57, MD'61, PhD'65, has earned his academic stripes many times over, as a tenured professor of physiology, medicine, and biomedical engineering, and an associate of chemistry and chemical engineering. And as director of the Artificial Cells & Organs Research Centre, he is still toiling away in a McGill laboratory that has the air of a residence room, trying to expand and perfect his youthful invention, one that has already spawned a multi-billion-dollar

biotechnology industry and which has set the stage for revolutionary developments in genetic engineering. "I'm a stubborn person, I don't give up too easily," Dr. Chang says of his lifelong dedication to developing practical uses for artificial cells, notably the creation of artificial blood.

The tainted blood tragedy, which saw more than 60,000 people in the Western world infected with the AIDS virus (more than 1,200 of them in Canada), has given urgency to the search for safe substitutes. It has also pushed the self-effacing Chang into the limelight and brought him long-overdue recognition, including an Order of Canada. He has published more than 400 scientific papers and 21 books. An international symposium on blood substitutes he hosted at McGill in August drew an overflow crowd of 350. " I looked around and realized most people there owed their jobs to Dr. Chang," said one scientist.

Long before scientists understood the life-giving properties of blood, many myths and rituals revolved around its magical powers; farmers sprinkled blood on their fields to ensure a plentiful harvest, and warriors painted their bodies with the red elixir to make themselves invincible on the battlefield. In 1667, Jean-Baptiste Denys, physician to Louis XIV of France, administered the first recorded tranfusion into a human, injecting half a pint of lamb's blood into an ailing 15-year-old boy. Human-to-human transfusions did not begin in earnest until the early 19th century, but deadly reactions were common. In 1868, scientists extracted haemoglobin from red blood cells but, without its protective coating, it proved poisonous. The discovery of blood types in 1901 and of the rhesus factor in 1940 made transfusions much safer, but war hastened the search for substitutes. Fluid replacements like saline solution became popular, as did dried plasma, but blood remained irreplaceable. Increasingly, surgeons came to use specific components of blood like red cells, plasma and albumin, and researchers derived dozens of blood products. The pooling of donations for the manufacture of these drugs, however, greatly increased the likelihood of blood-borne diseases like hepatitis. Yet the benefits of blood and its derivatives were said to outweigh the risks – until the AIDS era began.

"Substitutes" is too generous a description for the synthetic products that have been developed, because none can replace the clotting and infection-fighting properties of blood itself. But substitutes have several advantages over the real thing. Chiefly, they are disease-free. Scientists have substitutes for some components of blood. For example, hemophiliacs, who were struck down by tainted blood, now routinely use an artificial clotting factor which is cloned. But Chang stays focused on whole cell research. "I'm a red cell man," he declares. Artificial red cells, for example, would be a god-send in the emergency room because they would allow doctors to infuse blood without worrying about allergic reactions. Artificial blood can be stored for six months or more, while blood components have a limited shelf life, making it difficult to ensure an adequate supply. Much of the research on artificial blood has been sponsored by the Medical Research Council of Canada and is now of great interest to the Red Cross. A steady drop in donations, another result of the tainted blood tragedy, means there is a perpetual blood shortage.

Until recently, the cost of substitutes has been high. But safety concerns have driven up the cost of donor blood, even in Canada, where blood is donated voluntarily and provided "free" to hospitals. The cost of collecting and testing a unit of blood is about $225 – the Red Cross does at least seven tests on each unit – and that is without factoring in the costs of lawsuits by those who received tainted blood.

More than 100 million units of blood are transfused worldwide each year, translating into a huge potential market. Chang, however, has never been that interested in the commercial aspects of his discoveries. "To me as a scientist what is most important is what is most useful to the patient, not what is good for your reputation or what pays the most money. The sick patient should be the most important stimulus for our work."

In the late 1960s, Chang made the kind

Dr. Chang's research team, clockwise from top: Felice D'Agnillo, BSc'90, PhD student; Dr. W. P. Yu, Research Associate; Elizabeth Quebec, MSc student; Vaia Coromili, BEng'88, MEng'91, PhD student; Dr. Thomas Chang; Maryam Mobed, BEng'88, MEng'91, PhD student

of breakthrough that could make him both famous and rich – the discovery that enzymes carried in artificial cells could be used to correct inborn errors of metabolism, the beginnings of an exciting field that eventually should see genetic diseases treated with a pill. He was nominated for a Nobel Prize for that work but, in 1970, put it aside to pursue less glamorous work: using artificial cells containing activated charcoal to treat drug poisoning. The technique, haemoperfusion, has become the standard treatment in poisoning cases and saved thousands of lives, mostly of children. It also led to the invention of the "artificial kidney" (another lifesaver at a time when there was a severe shortage of dialysis) and later the artificial liver. The crude artificial organs use about 200 grams of artificial cells in a fist-sized column, and a blood pump mimics the purification job performed by a healthy organ by filtering the patient's blood through the charcoal-filled cells.

Although a simple concept, the trick was building membranes that allow toxic molecules, but not the precious red blood cells, to be extracted. That artificial organ cost only about $35, compared to more than $5,000 for a dialysis machine (in the early 1970s); as a result, however, it did not catch on with biotechnology companies.

"I think of research as something you do in the basement in your spare time. It's like a full-time hobby and I'm just lucky to be paid," Chang says, letting out one of the laughs that always punctuate his conversation. Over the years he has been wooed by many universities and the highly competitive biotechnology industry, but he feels a deep sense of loyalty to the university that gave him his start. "I feel I still have something to give back to McGill. Besides, I'm quite happy with my professor's salary." (But as soon as he utters those words, he adds a footnote, bemoaning McGill spending cuts which force him and his doctoral students to double as secretaries and cleaners at the Centre.)

Chang turned his back on money long ago when he chose a career in medicine. His grandfather, a native of Swatow, had built one of the biggest industrial empires in the city, but his family moved as refugees to Hong Kong in 1950 and left it all behind. "In China in those days, a physician was a very low-level position. My choice was a kind of insult to the family. So we made an agreement: I would go to the best school in the world and do something to make the family proud."

Today, Chang is taking another unconventional stand, staying put in Quebec despite the political turmoil. "I'm not a political person, but I want to say that I have been well supported by the Quebec and Canadian governments over the years. I don't want to chip and run for better money just because things are getting a little bit difficult," he says (Chang has had grants from the Medical Research Council of Canada since 1965, and from the Quebec Ministry of Science and Education since 1985). Besides, he wants to remain close to his four children, all of whom live in Montreal and Ottawa. Harvey, MD'83, is on staff at the Jewish General Hospital; Victor, BEng'86, is an engineer with the Canadian Space Agency; Christine, P&OT'86, is a physiotherapist and Sandra, BEd'91, is a teacher. His wife of 38 years, Lancy, is a dialysis nurse at the Montreal General Hospital.

At a time when he should be planning for retirement, the 63-year-old scientist is busier than ever. If AIDS had not come along, Chang might be pursuing his research in obscurity. Now there are at least six companies in the U.S. and one in Canada conducting clinical trials with blood substitutes. Most researchers have embraced Chang's notion of having artificial cells carry modified haemoglobin to the body. The biotechnology companies are so tantalizingly close to success that they are already thinking ahead to price wars, and looking for new sources of haemoglobin. While Chang derives the oxygen-carrying material from human blood donations, others are deriving it from cow's blood and genetically engineered E. coli bacteria. Artificial blood could be used in hospitals by the year 2000.

Developments are just as exciting in his other field, using artificial cells to "transplant" living cells into people with genetic deficiencies. For example, artificial cells carrying insulin-secreting cells from animals could free millions of people from the hassle of daily injections. With Chang's encouragement, Connaught Laboratories of Toronto, where insulin was first discovered, has been working on this concept for almost 20 years, and it is moving from the realm of science fiction to reality. Chang is also working on artificial cells containing genetically engineered cells which may one day replace the need for dialysis. Artificial cells could help treat phenylketonuria (PKU), a common genetic disease which causes mental retardation, by loading the missing enzymes into an artificial cell and feeding them into the gastro-intestinal tract, allowing the body to process the amino acid that does the damage. A Montreal biotechnology company, Ibex Technology Inc., is working with Chang to develop clinical trials.

The potential for artificial cells is almost limitless, at least in theory. There is talk today of building artificial cells that would transport miniaturized surgical robots to the nether regions of the body, and of synthetic cells that could transform the body wastes of astronauts into useful proteins – none of it any more fanciful than the idea of constructing an artificial cell was in 1956.

Yet Chang remains philosophical and humble, saying that after 40 years of work with artificial cells, he is becoming more aware of the limitations of science and more like his great-grandfather, a Protestant preacher.

"You can become very religious when you do research with artificial cells. We all think we are so advanced as scientists, that we are so good and brilliant. But if you look at it objectively, no matter how smart we are, we will never be able to copy what has been made by God, not even a simple red blood cell. We can only hope to make a simple substitute, and right now we are still taking our first steps."

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SO SMART, WHY NOT RICH?

Wonder why Thomas Chang isn't rich, given his life-saving research? Initially his work was too avant-garde, and he published his research without applying for patents. When his haemoperfusion device was produced commercially, profits went to his McGill research centre. He now holds seven patents through McGill's Office of Technology Transfer for red-blood-cell substitutes and artificial cell work; three are licensed to companies for commercial development. However, it may take a decade of refinement before a product hits the market. Finally, after McGill recovers patent costs, remaining royalties will be split: 65% for Chang and his collaborators, and 35% for McGill.

Une histoire sociale des idées au Québec de 1760 à 1960 ou

$$Q = -(F) + (GB) + (USA)^2 - (R)$$

L'intérêt réel de l'histoire intellectuelle du Québec francophone réside dans la mise à jour de perceptions nouvelles du passé.

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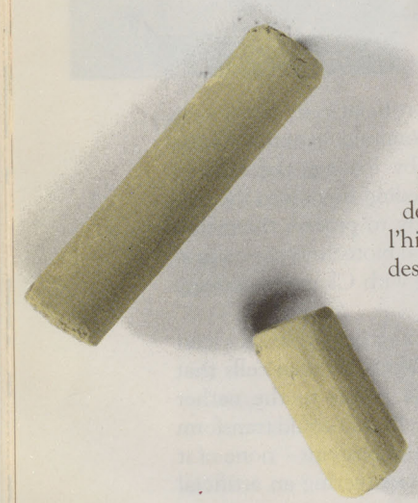

Nous ne disposons pas au Canada d'une synthèse de l'histoire intellectuelle du pays. On trouve certes des travaux sur des périodes limitées de l'histoire culturelle canadienne ou sur des aspects ponctuels: les réformateurs sociaux, le darwinisme, l'itinéraire intellectuel de tel ou tel individu. Mais de synthèse qui montrerait la genèse et le développement d'une culture canadienne différenciée des cultures des métropoles et de la culture étatsunienne, point.

Mes vingt-cinq ans de recherche et d'enseignement à McGill ont toujours visé un seul objectif: écrire une histoire intellectuelle du Québec francophone. On verra par la suite que le choix de la culture francophone n'exclut pas la considération de la culture britannique et canadienne-anglaise; mais l'accent est mis sur la culture et les courants d'idées de la société francophone. Un autre collègue de McGill fera peut-être un jour l'histoire sociale des idées de la communauté anglo-québécoise...

L'histoire sociale des idées s'emploie d'abord à connaître ceux et celles qui produisent les idées, les groupes sociaux qui les formulent, le plus souvent en fonction de leurs intérêts et de leur position dans la société. Ces déterminations sociales de la culture sont particulièrement évidentes, par exemple, dans les débats autour du système scolaire, dans son organisation, son contenu, son orientation. L'histoire sociale des idées exige aussi d'analyser les circuits de diffusion des idées, que cette diffusion se fasse par la culture orale ou par la culture de l'imprimé. Enfin, il faut s'y soucier de la pénétration sociale des idées, de leur consommation, de leur réception. Jusqu'où tel courant d'idées de la bourgeoisie de professions libérales ou de l'Eglise catholique romaine pénètre-t-il les milieux populaires? Comment est-il reçu? Qu'en retient-on?

Mais l'intérêt réel de cette histoire intellectuelle du Québec francophone réside plutôt dans ses conclusions, dans la mise à jour de perceptions nouvelles du passé. Je formule de façon humoristique une conclusion générale de mes recherches dans l'équation suivante: $Q = -(F) + (GB) + (USA)^2 - (R)$ qui signifie que, dans la culture québécoise, la France est moins importante qu'on peut le croire, que la culture britannique l'est davantage qu'on est prêt à le reconnaître, que l'influence culturelle des Etats-Unis est la plus sous-estimée des déterminations et que la culture romaine, celle de l'Église catholique, fut autre dans les faits que celle que l'on pensait qu'elle fût.

Le Québec, une «Nouvelle-France»?

À vrai dire, la France n'occupe pas dans l'identité multiséculaire des Québécois francophones la place qu'ils lui accordent traditionnellement et spontanément. Il faut bien reconnaître que les colons français s'étaient déjà fort «canadianisés» avant la perte de la colonie au profit des Anglais en 1760. Il y a aussi lieu de constater que si la «Conquête» a laissé un évident sentiment de nostalgie, elle a laissé un égal sentiment d'abandon et de distance. Les «Quelques arpents de neige...» traduisent bien le sens général de la politique coloniale française de l'Ancien Régime. Ajoutons à cela que, depuis la Révolution

Jean Paul Lemieux, Notre-Dame protégeant Québec, 1941

Jean Paul Lemieux, Patineurs à Montmorency, 1939

de 1789 et surtout depuis la Terreur de 1793, il y a pour les Québécois francophones deux France: la France d'avant 1789, monarchique et religieuse – celle du «bon» Roi et celle de Bossuet – et la France de 1789, républicaine et laïque. Le courant contre-révolutionnaire a traversé l'histoire politique et religieuse du Québec tout autant sinon plus que le courant prorévolutionnaire. Cette réalité a une signification: il n'y a pas de France unanime au Québec et cette dualité sinon ce dualisme de la perception de la France «divise» des Québécois déjà éloignés de l'Hexagone. On en prendra pour indice plus contemporain la double allégeance à Pétain et à de Gaulle durant la Deuxième Guerre mondiale.

La question de la langue, du type de français parlé d'un côté comme de l'autre de l'Atlantique, est un bon révélateur d'une différence réelle entre la France et le Canada «français». Depuis le début du XXe siècle, on s'emploie à montrer les ressemblances et les différences entre les deux parlers. Le «joual» des années 1960 – phonétisation locale de cheval – fut dénoncé par Jean-Paul Desbiens alias le Frère Untel («Parler joual, c'est penser joual») mais promu au rang de moyen de distinction avec le français parlé en France et de stratégie de désaliénation à l'égard de Paris. À telle enseigne que «bien parler» français au Québec aujourd'hui ne signifie pas parler comme à Paris. Accent pour accent, le marseillais vaut bien le québécois, peuchère! Mais il est devenu clair que la langue constitue le creuset par excellence tout autant de ressemblance que de différence, et ce pas automatiquement au profit de la France hexagonale. De la désaliénation même, il est résultée une conscience claire d'une différenciation.

On pourrait multiplier les exemples de prise de distance – polémique de 1947 à propos de la littérature française et de la littérature canadienne-«française», débat de 1972 relatif au projet de contrôle de la librairie québécoise par le groupe français Hachette, contentieux toujours vivant des films étasuniens traduits ou postsynchronisés au Québec refusés par une France qui protège son industrie cinématographique – mais l'important consiste à dégager la signification de ces distances géographique, linguistique, historique et culturelle: le Québec n'est pas une «Nouvelle» France . . . et les Français sont nos «cousins» mais de quel degré . . . ?

Une «Nouvelle-Angleterre» alors?

On s'en souviendra peut-être: l'interprétation du sens de la «CONQUÊTE» a déchiré les historiens québécois et quelques historiens anglo-canadiens à la fin de la décennie 1950. Et puis ce fut le silence sur cet événement manifestement significatif, qui mettait en cause l'ensemble des valeurs individuelles et collectives des «Canadiens» de l'époque, c'est-à-dire les Québécois francophones. Mais lorsqu'on relativise, au départ, l'image de la France chez les Canadiens de l'époque, la conquête militaire fut pour beaucoup de ces gens, qui n'avaient connu de toute éternité que la monarchie de droit absolu, qu'un changement de Roi. Et puis, vingt ans après la conquête, les Canadiens se sont joints aux Britanniques de la colonie pour réclamer les «libertés anglaises» et en particulier une Chambre d'Assemblée. Le jour où Londres octroya au Bas-Canada les institutions parlementaires et le «Rep by Pop», l'admiration pour la Constitution britannique éclipsa celle pour la France napoléonienne et on se félicitait parmi les députés et les journalistes francophones de cette chance de connaître ces libertés anglaises.

Aux yeux des membres du Parti canadien devenu le Parti patriote en 1827, la Chambre des communes de Londres demeura jusqu'en 1830 sinon jusqu'en 1837 le lieu de toutes

les attentes pour régler les conflits dans la colonie. A vrai dire, ce n'est qu'en 1837, lorsque les Résolutions de lord Russell vinrent débouter les attentes décrites dans les 92 Résolutions de 1834 que l'image de l'Angleterre se modifia chez les Canadiens et que l'on se mit à chercher un autre lieu pour placer ses attentes.

Cette loyauté se divisa avec et après l'Union de 1840. L'église catholique romaine, qui avait dès 1763 témoigné sa loyauté aux autorités nouvellement établies et qui avait, grâce à ce loyalisme un peu zélé, retrouvé son droit à l'existence légale, continua de prêcher l'ordre et la soumission à l'autorité britannique. Un courant de loyalisme politique se constitua avec La Fontaine et Cartier – deux «Sir» – qui trouva son accomplissement en Sir Wilfrid Laurier dont le discours de 1877 sur le libéralisme confirme précisément cette analyse du regard des Canadiens sur l'Angleterre. En effet, pour que Laurier puisse, en 1877, proposer que le libéralisme canadien et canadien-français venait de l'Angleterre réformiste de 1688 et non de la France révolutionnaire de 1789 et surtout de 1793, il fallait bien qu'outre l'histoire personnelle de Laurier, il y eut dans l'histoire politique du Québec une reconnaissance positive des institutions britanniques. Dans ce discours électoraliste, Laurier pouvait gommer certains aspects de l'admiration pour la République française, mais son propos paraissait crédible.

Henri Bourassa prit le relais au tournant du XXe siècle en tentant de rappeler Sir Wilfrid à l'ordre, lui qui donna assez fortement dans l'impérialisme. Bourassa, qui connaissait très bien l'histoire de la Grande-Bretagne et celle de ses relations avec le Québec, apparut aux impérialistes anglo-canadiens comme un empêcheur de tourner en rond, et pour une minorité de Canadiens, le formulateur d'un nationalisme canadien, soucieux d'une plus grande autonomie du Canada à l'égard de l'Empire et d'une plus grande autonomie des provinces à l'égard du pouvoir central. Quand on se rappelle que Bourassa fut un proche parent de Papineau, il n'est pas banal de penser que ces deux nationalistes au nationalisme différent ont chacun, à leur façon, revendiqué une autonomie coloniale plus grande à l'égard de la métropole.

Et à part quelques manifestations contre l'appellation «Queen Elizabeth Hotel» d'un hôtel du Canadien National à Montréal en 1955 et lors de la visite de la reine Elizabeth II transformée en «samedi de la matraque» le 10 octobre 1964, l'image et la réalité de l'Angleterre au Québec allaient s'estomper après Bourassa.

Yankees, come home?

On le sait: les Yankees sont venus en 1774 et en 1775 proposer aux Canadiens et aux coloniaux britanniques de se joindre à leur projet d'Indépendance. Si, dans l'ensemble, les Canadiens leur présentèrent une «bienveillante neutralité», la tentation américaine fut néanmoins sérieuse. Mais l'ambivalence des Canadiens à l'égard des Yankees s'explique: d'ex-Français devenus sujets britanniques en 1763 pouvaient avec raison se demander ce qui pourrait advenir d'un nouveau changement d'allégeance, le deuxième en dix ans!

L'attrait américain et républicain connut une nouvelle ferveur vers 1830 au moment où, dubitatifs à propos de la volonté de Londres d'écouter les griefs des Canadiens et de satisfaire à leurs demandes, le Parti patriote et son chef, Louis-Joseph Papineau, se mirent à regarder de plus en plus du côté des États-Unis. Le modèle politique étasunien plaisait aux Patriotes précisément parce que le Sénat y était électif, ce qu'ils espéraient pour le Conseil législatif bas-canadien, cause de tous les conflits coloniaux.

Le moment décisif de la perception québécoise des États-Unis date du milieu du XIXe siècle. Au moment où les nations se cherchent un «Destin manifeste», se formule dans les milieux conservateurs l'idée d'une «vocation de la race française en Amérique», vocation spirituelle sinon catholique des Canadiens français dans une Amérique mercantile et matérialiste. Rien de moins! Les Québécois francophones allaient mettre un siècle à rejeter cette idée et à s'ajuster à la réalité de l'Amérique. En effet, à partir du moment où, en 1945, ils devinrent eux-mêmes des consommateurs de cinéma, d'automobiles, de publicité, d'électro-ménager et de télévision, il devenait gênant sinon contradictoire de dénoncer le «matérialisme» lorsqu'on y adhérait avec enthousiasme . . . Acceptant aujourd'hui leur «américanité», beaucoup de Québécois francophones se définissent comme . . . des Américains parlant français.

Une «petite Rome»

L'expression est de Mgr Bourget, qui fit de sa cathédrale, boulevard René-Lévesque, une miniature de Saint-Pierre de Rome. Rome fut pour l'Église catholique romaine le lieu de toutes les attentes et de toutes les chicanes intestines du clergé. On en attendait beaucoup, en particulier au moment des crises scolaires du Manitoba et de l'Ontario ou au moment du conflit entre évêques catholiques francophones et anglophones ontariens. Henri Bourassa commença à deviner les réserves de Rome lorsqu'on lui fit regretter d'avoir associé, en 1910, la défense de la religion et de la langue face aux affirmations de l'archévêque catholique de Westminster, Mgr Bourne, qui trouvait risqué pour la religion qu'on l'associât trop à la langue ou à une culture. L'ouverture des archives vaticanes relatives à cette période révèle qu'aux yeux de Rome, le catholicisme québécois constituait certes la base du catholicisme canadien, mais il représentait une minorité dans la plus grande catholicité nord-américaine du Canada et des Etats-Unis. Cette perspective anglo-saxonne sur le catholicisme était tout autre que celle qu'on croyait être la position de Rome . . .

Et alors?

Cette relecture des relations du Québec avec ses «capitales» politiques et culturelles permet de voir la complexité et la richesse de l'identité québécoise. Si les Québécois francophones éprouvent quelque difficulté à définir leur identité, c'est qu'elle est en bonne partie complexe et riche. Il me semble aussi qu'ils ont fait la preuve qu'ils étaient désireux et capables d'ouverture, d'assimilation du différent. La reconnaissance de cet héritage polyvalent constitue le gage d'une culture publique commune possible.

Historien, professeur au Département de langue et littérature françaises, Yvan Lamonde s'est vu attribuer pour deux ans la prestigieuse bourse Killam de recherche pour rédiger une Histoire sociale des idées au Québec (1760-1960). Il a obtenu en 1995 le Prix du Gouverneur Général du Canada, section des essais en français, pour sa biographie de Louis-Antoine Dessaulles (1818-1895), un seigneur libéral et anticlérical *(Montréal, Fides)*

McGill Surpasses $200 Million Goal

A small army of volunteers, an abundance of faith and goodwill, and one great cause helped propel McGill's Twenty-First Century Fund over the top. Led by John Cleghorn, BCom'62, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Royal Bank of Canada, McGill made a powerful and eloquent case for support. McGill's momentum can't be beat.

Spyros Bourboulis

Normand Blouin

Campaign Cabinet.
Back row: Hugh G. Hallward, BA'51, Chairman, University Leadership Division; R. James McCoubrey, BCom'66, Chairman, Regional Division; Derek A. Drummond, BArch'62, Chair, Campus Community Division; Purdy Crawford, Chairman, Primary Division; Herbert E. Siblin, BCom'50, Chairman, Major Division.
Front row: Richard W. Pound, BCom'62, BCL'67, Chair, Board of Governors; John E. Cleghorn, BCom'62, Campaign Chairman; Bernard J. Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, Principal and Vice-Chancellor, McGill University.
Inset: Gail L. Johnson, BA'63, Chair, Faculty Advisory Board Division

Final Total $205,642,432

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Irene Bloemraad, BA'95, MA'96, tells donors how a Greville Smith Scholarship attracted her to McGill and how the Dr. and Mrs. Max Stern Fellowship allowed her to finish her master's degree with full concentration. She is now a doctoral student in sociology at Harvard studying ethnic immigration issues

Principal Bernard Shapiro, Herbert Black, and former Principal David Johnston, who began the campaign

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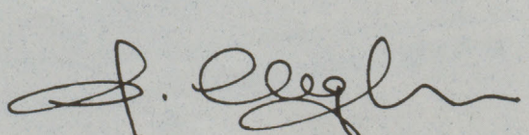
John Cleghorn salutes volunteers

"Five years ago, McGill took a bold and ambitious step toward securing McGill's place as a leading university. Today, we give thanks to all who contributed."

– July 1996



John Cleghorn, Chairman, McGill Twenty-First Century Fund

SOURCES OF GIFTS & PLEDGES (IN DETAIL)

Graduates	$53,992,352
Faculty & Staff (non-Alumni)	$1,583,052
Parents	$2,709,533
Associates	$396,950
Friends	$26,756,918
Estates (non-Alumni)	$21,525,012
Estates (Alumni)	$4,177,903
Students	$9,995,860
Corporations	$29,132,014
Foundations	$54,754,627
TOTAL	$205,024,221

Priority: Students

ACHIEVED: $50.49 MILLION. McGill donors threw their support behind students, enabling McGill to attract the best and the brightest through increasing the number and value of scholarships. A bequest from Hugh Brock, BEng'28, for example, upgraded 180 scholarships. The number of graduate fellowships doubled from 115 to 230 with donors ranging from Hydro Quebec to the estate of Hugh MacLennan.

Some donors believe that a healthy mind is best supported by a healthy body. The $28 million athletics complex includes the Seagram Sports Science Centre, Tomlinson Hall, the McGill Sport Medicine Clinic, the Weider Varsity Weight Room, the Winsor Varsity Clinic, and the John and Pattie Cleghorn Hyperbaric Treatment and Research Unit.

Priority: Teaching and Research

ACHIEVED: $79.80 MILLION. The trend toward reinforcing the importance of teaching was supported overwhelmingly by donors, who gave three times the initial goal for this priority! A $1-million gift from the Royal Bank of Canada enables the McGill Centre for University Teaching and Learning to help McGill professors develop new and creative teaching methods.

From the study of pain to understanding human genetics, 16 new endowed chairs were established including the E.P. Taylor Chair in Pain held by Dr. Ronald Melzack, BSc'50, MSc'51, PhD'54; the Jeanne and J.-Louis Lévesque Chair in Cancer Research; the Alva Chair in Human Genetics held by Dr. Charles Scriver, BA'51, MD'55; the Abner Kingman Chair in Liberal Arts; the Imasco Chair in MIS in honour of Paul Paré, BCL'49; and most recently, the Cleghorn Chair in Management Studies, occupied by Henry Mintzberg, BEng'61.

The Charles R. Bronfman family has breathed new life into Canadian studies with an $11.775 million commitment for the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada.

Research at Macdonald Campus is flourishing with a modern research greenhouse which received support from the Macdonald Stewart Foundation, Mrs. David M. Stewart, Mr. G. Stewart Brown, Pfizer Canada Inc., Pioneer Hi-Bred Ltd., the R. Howard Webster Foundation and Macdonald faculty and staff. The Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada provided state-of-the-art research equipment.

Rick Kerrigan

Athletic endeavours: The new Fieldhouse houses an indoor track and tennis courts, varsity training room and medical clinic

Priority: Libraries

ACHIEVED: $11.98 MILLION. Acquiring new books and preserving the old were clear campaign objectives. Now, McGill begins a new chapter in the restoration and conservation of its vast collection of knowledge. The Birks Foundation's $250,000 gift will be shared between the departments of Rare Books and Religious Studies.

The Campaign also enabled McGill to purchase new books and manuscripts, as well as to upgrade the University Libraries' computer technology. The Humanities and Social Sciences Library and the Physical Sciences and Engineering Library share a $3 million campaign gift from the R. Howard Webster Foundation. Meanwhile, Seymour Schulich, BSc'61, MBA'65, donated $1,000,000, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, $500,000, and Sun Life Assurance, $300,000, for collections.

Priority: Equipment and Renewed Space

ACHIEVED: $9.76 MILLION. Xerox Canada gave $670,000 in funds and equipment to set up McGill's Papermaking Chemistry Laboratory in the Pulp and Paper Research Centre. The Post-It Notes™ giant, the 3M Company, made a $285,000 (U.S.) contribution to provide laboratory equipment for the new M.H. Wong Building, audiovisual equipment for classrooms, and a self-serve book checkout machine for the Physical Sciences and Engineering Library.

A $305,000 (U.S.) commitment from the Vernon K. Krieble Foundation will expand the chemistry computing laboratory in the Faculty of Science. The Moyse Hall Costume Workshop underwent major renovations, thanks to a $200,000 gift from Mrs. W.P. (Billie) Wilder, BA'51.

The Faculty of Engineering's amphitheatres in the McConnell Building will get modern acoustic and audio-visual equipment and new seating, thanks to $500,000 from the Noranda Foundation. The contribution was made in honour of Alfred Powis, BCom'51, the former Noranda Inc. Chairman.

Priority: New Construction

ACHIEVED: $29.33 MILLION. The M.H. Wong Building represents the biggest burst of construction the campus has seen in a decade. The new $33 million six-storey building will house the departments of Chemical Engineering and Metallurgy, and some units of Physics and Chemistry. An $8 million gift from the estate of Man Hung (Jimmy) Wong, BArch'81, a Hong Kong native, anchored the project. Additional support came from an anonymous $1.5 million gift from another Hong Kong graduate, and contributions came from foundations and corporations, such as the Macdonald Stewart Foundation, TransCanada Pipelines, Praxair Canada, Shaw Industries, John Starr, Pratt & Whitney, QIT-Fer et Titane Inc., the John Labatt Foundation, and Rio Algom. The governments of Canada and Quebec also contributed.

Major contributors to the new $11 million Law Library include Mr. Nahum Gelber, Q.C., BA'54, BCL'57, Senator Alan A. MacNaughton, Q.C., BA'26, BCL'29, LLD'92, the Mitzi and Mel Dobrin Family Foundation, the Helsam Foundation, McCarthy Tétrault, and the Law Students' Association.

The design for the proposed $29.5 million Music Pavillion won The Canadian Architect magazine's 1994 Award of Excellence. The Campaign raised $6 million towards the project.

Normand Blouin

John Dealy, Dean of Engineering, in front of the new M.H. Wong Building

Emerging Priorities

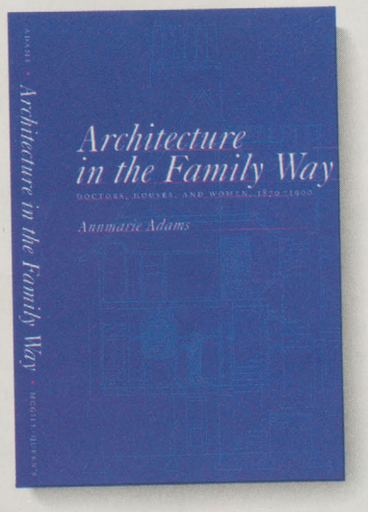
ACHIEVED: $19.81 MILLION. Some donors have asked McGill to choose where best to use their funds, and hence an additional category was created. Some $3.4 million was designated toward the Dean's Development Fund, allowing for projects not covered by the operating budget. For instance, Management will augment the Applied Investment Program where students invest real money (return to date: 6.2 percent). All gifts will be directed to campaign priorities.

For a full campaign report, contact Daniel Chonchol by telephone at (514) 398-2897; by fax machine at (514) 398-7362; or by e-mail at danielc@martlet1.lan.mcgill.ca A limited number of copies are available.

The "separate sphere," an intensely public space . . .

Architecture in the Family Way: Doctors, Houses and Women, 1870-1900, *McGill-Queen's University Press*, 1996, $39.95, by Annmarie Adams, BA'81

Shortly after I received the commission from the *McGill News* to review Annmarie Adams's *Architecture in the Family Way*, my husband and I announced our decision to buy a house, our first. This unleashed a deluge of admonition from colleagues and family. Is the insulation urea formaldehyde? Is there lead paint *on* the walls? Asbestos *in* the walls? Radon under the floor? Allergens in the carpets? Being real estate virgins, we were (momentarily at least) flummoxed. What were we buying: a 1903 greystone, or the *Irving Whale* of Lower Westmount? "Sick building syndrome" is a pervasive modern obsession, and Annmarie Adams puts her finger on the historical moment of its genesis: Great Britain, 1870-1900. But the ailing edifices of Victorian England were not hospitals or office buildings; rather, they were middle-class homes. Defining the home as a health issue, and determining what should be done about it, brought doctors and women together in a number of ways which proved significant for both medicine and feminism.



Architecture in the Family Way is structured as five essays, loosely linked in substance, but resonating with one another thematically. The first essay tours the International Health Exhibition of 1884. The highlight of London's hygiene Expo was a walk-in model of the "Insanitary Dwelling" and its counterpart, the "Sanitary Dwelling." To the naked eye the two could scarcely be distinguished. It was the unseen that made the difference: faulty drainage pipes, improperly positioned dustbins, poor ventilation, and toxic building materials. The list of ailments ascribed to the presence of arsenic in wallpaper has a familiar ring: bowel inflammation, diarrhoea, nausea, depression, asthma, headaches, and skin irritations. Significantly, this exhibition was conceived not by architects, but by physicians. Architects, castigated as mercenary and unscientific, were the villains; doctors and housewives became the crusaders who would save the British family from baleful architectural practices.

How Victorian doctors colonized domestic architecture at the expense of architects is the theme of the second essay. The Domestic Sanitation Movement emerged from the larger public health crusade of the 19th century, and shared its vocabulary of fresh air, pure water, sunshine and soap. The intrusion of the medical profession imbued these ancient hygienic commonplaces with an aura of scientific rationality which strongly appealed to middle-class culture; at the same time, asserting expertise in the design of homes promoted the doctors' own quest for enhanced public recognition. Their closest allies were another group of people ambitious for respect: middle-class women. Chapter 3, "Female Regulation of the Healthy Home," argues that the so-called "separate sphere" of the Victorian housewife was, in fact, a highly permeable labyrinth of ventilation shafts and soil pipes. The angel of the hearth, more sanitary engineer than seraph, held a mandate from the medical pundits to conduct chemical tests for arsenic in the wallpaper, or single-handedly inspect the putty joints of her drains. Surprisingly, control over the physical fabric of her house led directly to more public roles. Pioneering women doctors argued that responsibility for the health of the home made women innately suitable for medicine, especially preventive medicine. Women carved out a niche in the burgeoning hygiene industry as domestic sanitation inspectors, and hung out their shingles as real estate agents, all on the grounds of expertise in the health of houses.

But the nexus of house, woman and doctor was not always liberating. The notion of a "sick building" implies that a building is a body, and historically, woman has also been defined primarily as a body. Equating house with body entails gendering the house as female, and vice versa. In her fourth essay, Adams traces the intensification of women's liability for disease in their houses. When she gave birth, a woman's own body became the most dangerous pathogen in her home, a living sewer of smell, noise and sepsis. The design of the lying-in room in the Victorian middle-class house demonstrates the efforts of physicians to "quarantine" the birthing body and shield the house from its effluvia.

The final chapter, on domestic architecture and feminism, links movements for female education and liberation to the imprinting of feminine design elements on late-Victorian architecture. Women themselves began to practice as decorators and architects, and women activists patronized architects who promoted interior layouts, exterior styles, and forms of graphic presentation, like the perspective drawing, that spoke to the "feminine point of view."

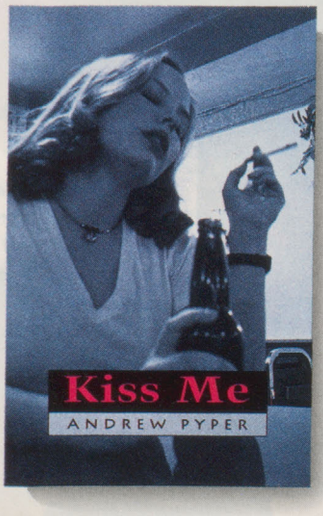
Adams's study is innovative, intelligently illustrated, and seasoned with a dashing and witty style. Sometimes, however, her strokes are too broad: for example, the portrait of the late 19th century medical profession exaggerates its unity and conspiratorial confidence. The thematic unity of the book also occasionally unravels. The final chapter in particular abruptly abandons medical themes, and asserts that the central motifs of the study converge on the Queen Anne style. Adams also springs her conclusions on the reader with disconcerting suddenness. Somehow the year 1900 "marked the end rather than the beginning of a period when women enjoyed considerable control over the

. . . Soul-shaking initiations of youth and a bank for the poor

domestic spaces they inhabited." Doctors are inexplicably hustled off the scene, architects for no apparent reason exercise hegemony once more, and "English women returned to motherhood." But these are minor flaws in an otherwise engaging and original study. Annmarie Adams has enriched architectural history, medical history, and women's history by documenting an under-reported episode in the medicalization of the built environment, and by extending the definition of Victorian feminism far beyond votes for women. Above all, she has destabilized the notion of the "separate sphere" by showing how the Victorian private house became an intensely public space.

Faith Wallis, BA'71, MA'74, MLS'76
Assistant Professor
Dept. of Social Studies of Medicine
McGill University

Kiss Me, *Porcupine's Quill*, 1996, $14.95, by Andrew Pyper, BA'91, MA'92
The back cover of *Kiss Me* claims Andrew Pyper has "professed admiration for the writing of Alice Munro," perhaps a dangerous link for a first collection of stories to make, since it invites comparison. Having made that comparison, some might object that Pyper is no Alice Munro. Which would be true of course, but unfair to Pyper, whose stories skillfully and quietly explore the lives of the under-thirty generation. His characters, however, are more thoughtful, vulnerable, and real creatures than those who bear that overworked media tattoo, *Generation X* (thankfully, Pyper is no Douglas Coupland clone, either).

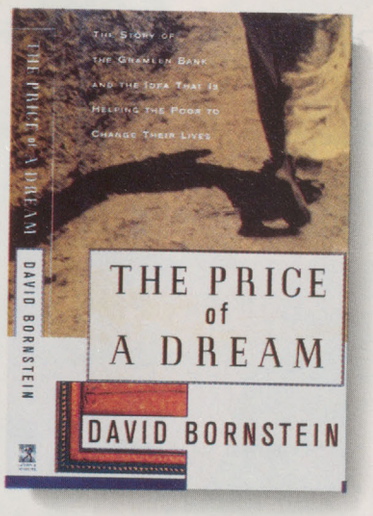


The title story profiles a burn victim unable to deal with his horrible disfigurement, alienating his caring girlfriend and condemning himself to an apartment-ridden, phantom-like life of embittered solitude. In "Call Roxanne," a mentally unstable young man hovers delicately between confronting his "mechanical problems," his relationship with a silent, circumspect father, and the fantasy refuge of a woman's name and phone number he has obtained from a bathroom stall.

There are also wry, humourous stories in *Kiss Me*. "If You Lived Here You'd Be Home By Now" is the tale of a runaway who flees his born-again father to join a household of young Toronto intellectuals by pretending he's a writer and soon finds himself published in a counterculture pamphlet called *Piss Pot*.

Pyper's characters are not a lost generation but rather individuals in limbo, in moody and uncertain transition. Their stories are the familiar yet often soul-shaking initiations of youth to the calamities of the adult world – personal tragedy, domestic violence, drug abuse, the departure of loved ones, and all those small yet emotionally thunderous defining moments that occur between parents and children, lovers and friends. They are well told, and Ms. Munro would likely approve.

Andrew Mullins



The Price of a Dream, *Simon & Schuster*, 1996, $32.50, by David Bornstein, BCom'85

Ever since it declared independence from Pakistan in 1971, Bangladesh has been an icon of impoverishment. Yet it's there that western-taught economist Muhammad Yunus created a minor economic miracle: the Grameen Bank, a micro-lending institution with a radical lending philosophy. Through loans of as little as $1(US) and no higher than a few hundred dollars, the Grameen ("Village") Bank has effectively reduced poverty. The Bank has disbursed about $2 billion since it was founded in 1976, and has more than two million borrowers – mostly poor village women. It enjoys a 97 percent payback rate.

Yunus, who comes from an affluent Bangladeshi family, received a PhD from Vanderbilt University in Tennessee, and taught there. After returning home in 1972, he concluded that just a few dollars would help many needy villagers to sustain small businesses. With the help of an established bank, Yunus began lending money, with interest, while ensuring pay back by setting up local groups and making borrowers accountable to others in their group.

David Bornstein, a graduate of McGill commerce and New York University journalism, spent four years in Bangladesh researching *The Price of a Dream*. He humanizes a potentially dry topic by focusing on the villagers. For instance, he tells of Aleya Begum, who initially borrowed 2,000 takas (US$50) to buy a cow, soon earning enough to purchase more cows. She now owns and operates a small dairy farm. Bornstein also convincingly presents Yunus's contention that the Grameen Bank's method to reduce poverty can be transported to other settings.

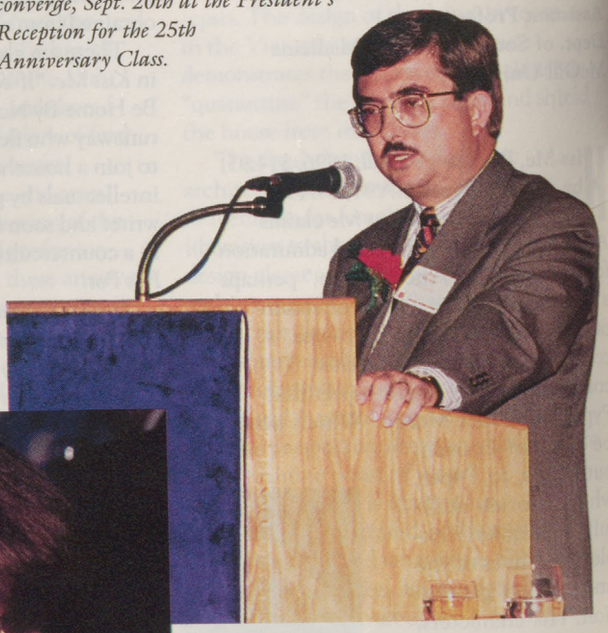
Howard Bokser, BCom'82, BA'88

1996 Homecoming Weekend

photos by Nicolas Morin

New teammates: *Ray Satterthwaite, BA'90, Director of Annual Giving, Honora Shaughnessy, MLS'73, Cert(Prof)French'94, Executive Director, Alumni Relations/ Advancement, and Derek Drummond, BArch'62, Vice-Principal (Development and Alumni Relations), converge, Sept. 20th at the President's Reception for the 25th Anniversary Class.*

Getting along swimmingly: *Marianne Limpert, Olympic silver medallist in the 200-meter individual medley and a new student at McGill, shares a laugh with Derek Drummond, BArch'62, Vice-Principal (Development and Alumni Relations), and International Olympic Committee Vice-President Richard Pound, BCom'62, BCL'67, at the Leacock Luncheon, Sept. 20th.*



Knocking 'em dead: *Leacock lecturer Peter Mercer, Vice-President (Administration) and General Counsel, University of Western Ontario, delivers his sardonic material at the Leacock Luncheon, Sept 20*

Dining companions: *Irwin Browns, BA'54, savours salmon and small talk with Marie Lizotte, Director, Planned Gifts, at the Leacock Luncheon, Sept 20*

Breaking out the silverware: *Jim Robb, BA'51, BCL'54, President of the Alumni Association, with Peter J. G. McArthur, BCL'82, LLB'83, winner of the E.P. Taylor Outstanding Service Award; Isabel Gales, BA'33, BCL'36, who presented the D. Lorne Gales Award to the 1961 Class of Medicine – represented by Phil Gold, BSc'57, MD'61, MSc'61, PhD'65, John Little, MD'61, Melvin Mendelsohn, BSc'57, MD'61, and David O'Hashi, BSc'57, MD'61 - for having maintained close ties to McGill; Christine Hiller, MLIS'87, Chair of the Class Agents Committee; and Barrie Birks, BA'70, Chair of the McGill Alma Mater Fund, at the Class Leaders Reception, Sept. 20*

Left: ***That's a good one!*** *A graduate shares a laugh with Phyllis and Bernard Shapiro at the Principal's Dinner, Sept. 20. Below left:* ***Anticipation.*** *Katherine Robb, BSc'57, sings for her supper at the Principal's Dinner, Sept. 20th. Below:* ***Strategy Session.*** *Honora Shaughnessy, MLS'73, Cert(Prof)French'94, Executive Director of Alumni Relations/Advancement, and Bill Gibson, MSc'36, MD'41, DipTropMed'48, discuss his toast to McGill at the Chancellor's Dinner, Sept. 20th.*

Boy, are their arms tired: *Jim Robb, BA'51, BCL'54, with alumni who flew in from afar for the President's Reception, Sept. 20th, including Hilary Bethell, BP&OT'71, from Barbados; former McGill Daily cartoonist George Kopp, BA'71, now based in Los Angeles; and Yansi Herrera de Vizor, BSc(PhysTher)'71, from Panama. And in the rear: Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88*

THE McGILL DAILY

REUNION: SEPTEMBER 21, 1996

Some 190 former editors, writers, photographers and other hangers-on turned out for a lively reunion at the Westin Hotel

photos by Joe Donohue

Above: Victor Loewy, BA'71, Vice-Chairman & President of Motion Pictures Distribution, Alliance Communications; Dr. Catherine Myer Luchins, Dr. Danny Luchins, BSc'71, MD'73, DipPsych'78 of Chicago; ceramic artist Nicole Schouela, BSc'70, of Vancouver, and Irena Loewy, film marketing consultant

Above: Barbara Scales, BA'73, MA'80, Director of Latitude 45 Arts Promotion Inc. (Impresario), looks at the special edition of The Daily with her old boyfriend George Kopp, BA'71, a California internet writer/publisher who was emcee for the night.

Left: Dr. Laurie Breger, BSc'74, MD'78, of Montreal and Geraldine Sparrow, BA'72, LLB'77, (now the Honourable Judge Sparrow of the Ontario Court) hold up a photo of their more youthful days.

Daily Reunion organizer Harold Rosenberg, BSc'71, checks out a display with Phyllis Platt, Executive Director of Arts and Entertainment for CBC Television.

Globe and Mail computer columnist Jack Kapica, BA'69, MA'72, networks with Honey Dresher, BA'68, TV & film producer and consultant, Chair of the Saidye Bronfman Centre for the Arts in Montreal.

Novelist Susan Swan, BA'67, and Judy Rebick, BSc'67, (former President of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women) are tickled by the special edition of The Daily

COMING EVENTS

- **November 13, Toronto**: Breakfast Speaker Series. Guest speaker Courtney Pratt, BA'68, President of Noranda Inc. Topic: Corporate Social Responsibility. Contact Lou Ampas (416) 593-6796.
- **November 14, Ottawa**: Canada's Contribution to Space Research Today. Reception with guest speaker Dr. Douglas Watt, Director, McGill's Aerospace Medical Research Institute. Contact Doris Bradbury (613) 563-3961 ext. 307.
- **November 14, Philadelphia**: Reception. Guest speaker Dean Abraham Fuks, Faculty of Medicine. Contact Dr. Samuel Tirer 1-800-306-0876.
- **November 19, Boston:** Gourmet Cooking Demonstration. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **November 21, Boston**: Bruins vs Canadiens. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **November 22, New York:** Dinner, French Culinary Institute. Contact Anton Angelich (718) 549 4604.
- **November 30, Toronto:** Vanier Cup. Reception at the ACME Bar & Grill. Contact Mary Usher-Jones (416) 485-9421.
- **December 6, Ottawa**: "Will the Real Jane Austen Please Stand Up?" Reception with guest speaker Professor Jacqueline Reid Walsh, McGill's Department of Culture and Values in Education. Contact Doris Bradbury (613) 563-3961 Ext. 307.
- **December 7, Oakville / Halton / Wentworth**: Nutcracker Ballet followed by McGill reception. Contact Paul Marchand (416) 867-6338.
- **December 11, Toronto:** Holiday Party. Guest speaker Professor Desmond Morton and special guests Jim Robb, President of the Alumni Association and Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, McGill Alumni Association. Contact Mary Usher-Jones (416) 485-9421.
- **December 12, New York**: Holiday Party at the Canadian Consulate. Special guests Jim Robb, President of the Alumni Association, Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, McGill Alumni Association, and Janice Paskey, Editor, McGill News. Contact Anton Angelich (718) 549-4604.
- **January 27, Trinidad and Tobago:** McGill in the 21st Century. Brunch reception with guest speaker Vice Principal (Research) Pierre Bélanger and guest Deborah Buszard, Dean, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. Contact George Waldron (809) 622-4426.
- **February 21, Atlanta**: Reception with Principal Bernard Shapiro. Contact Heidi Broun-Allardyce (770) 552-8631.
- **February 23, Tampa / St. Pete**: "Old Four" Brunch. (McGill, Universities of Toronto and Western Ontario, and Queen's University) Special guest Vice Principal (Development & Alumni Relations) Derek Drummond. Contact the McGill Alumni Association 1-800-576-5175.
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THE '30S

Henry F. Davis, BCL'35, was awarded an honorary doctorate from Bishop's University in June, and delivered the convocation address.

William B. Hutchinson, MD'36, was made the namesake of the Molecular Medicine Building of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center at South Lake Union Campus in Seattle. He served as the first president and director of the Center, which he founded 30 years ago in memory of his brother, Fred Hutchinson, a Seattle major-league baseball pitcher and manager who died of cancer in 1964.

THE '40S

Catherine Mary Chard Wisnicki, BArch'43, received an honorary doctorate from McGill. Since her retirement from teaching at the Architectural Institute of British Columbia she has developed low-cost housing for single mothers and women in need.

Peter J. Savage, BSc'48, was awarded the Order of the University of Calgary at the June convocation.

John Dobson, BCom'49, was awarded an honorary doctorate from McGill at the Fall convocation.

Arthur P. Earle, BEng'49, retired from his position as President of Aéroports de Montréal.

THE '50S

Dr. Constant Nucci, BA'51, helped develop a "father-friendly" maternity ward at St. Mary's Hospital in Montreal. The new unit was dedicated to Dr. Nucci who retired in July from his position as Director-General of St. Mary's.

Charles Robert Scriver, BA'51, MD'55, was named Companion of the Order of Canada. He was also the 1996 recipient of the Canadian Medical Association Medal of Service, awarded to a physician who has made "an exceptional and outstanding contribution to the advancement of health care in Canada."

Wayne Wright, BSc'52, was appointed to the dual position of Director, Supply Chain Management, and President, Waterfront Shipping Company Limited, for the Methanex Corporation, based in Vancouver.

Alex G. Balogh, BEng'54, was appointed to the Board of Directors of Strong Equipment Corporation (Strongco).

John S. Auston, BSc'57, MScA'59, was appointed President and CEO of Ashton Mining of Canada Inc.

THE '60S

Peter G. White, BA'60, is a new member of the Southam Board of Directors. He is also Chairman of UniMedia Inc., a division of Hollinger Inc.

Moshe Safdie, BArch'61, LLD'82, was honoured at a Negev dinner at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, at which Jewish National Fund Montreal president Irwin Beutel presented him with a citation as "one of the foremost architects and designers of this century." Dinner proceeds go toward the development of Rabin Park.

Barry Shapiro, BA'61, BCL'64, was presented with a testimonial at the Montreal Jewish Community's Professional Development seminar in July, in recognition of his fund-raising work.

Edward A. Fellows, DDS'62, Past President of the Broward Dental Research Clinic at Broward Community College and a member of its Dental Advisory Committee, was a team captain of the East Coast District Dental Society's Mass Disaster Identification Team and was involved with identifying the victims of Valujet flight 529, which crashed into the Everglades, killing all 110 people on board. He maintains a private practice in Hallandale, Florida, and teaches at Broward College.

Richard Pound, BCom'62, has been re-elected Vice-President of the International Olympic Committee.

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Dionysia Zerbisias, BCL'62, was appointed a judge *puisne* of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec. She was also appointed a judge *ad hoc* of the Quebec Court of Appeal, effective September 1, 1996.

C. Peter Paton, BEng'64, and his family have moved to Kingston, Ont. He assumes a new position with Strathcona Paper in Napanee.

Aftab A. Mufti, MEng'65, PhD'69, received a Canadian Achievement Award for developing applications of advanced composite materials in bridges and structures in Canada. Dr. Mufti and Dr. Leslie Jaeger, who directed Mufti's PhD studies, were principal researchers in the development of the world's first steel-free concrete bridge deck.

Dr. André Villeneuve, MSc'66, was awarded the Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology Medal, which honours meritorious careers. Earlier this year he was promoted to Life Fellow by the American Psychiatric Association for his contributions to psychiatry. He is a professor of psychiatry in the Department of Psychiatry, Faculty of Medicine, at Laval University, Quebec and Psychiatrist-in-Chief at Clinique Roy-Rousseau, Beauport, Quebec.

Dr. Mark A. Wainberg, BSc'66, Director of the McGill AIDS Centre, based at the Jewish General Hospital in Montreal, was named Vice-President of the International AIDS Society at the International AIDS conference in Vancouver in August.

Barry Carin, BA'67, Assistant Deputy Minister, Trade and Economic Policy, was appointed to the position of High Commissioner to the Republic of Singapore.

Daniel Hickey, MA'67, PhD'73, was co-winner of the 1995 C. Douglas Mellor Prize for academic distinction in the Graduate Diploma in Public Accountancy at McGill.

Carl Pines, BSc'67, was appointed to the Board of Directors of Chai-Na-Ta-Corp., the world's largest integrated ginseng company.

Arun S. Mujumdar, MEng'68, PhD'71, was awarded the Copernicus Medal by the Polish Academy of Sciences for his contributions to engineering sciences at the international level.

Kip Cobbett, BA'69, BCL'72, has been appointed Managing Partner of the Stikeman Elliott, Barristers and Solicitors, London office, effective September 1996.

Peter Leney, BA'69, published "Annie Midlige, Fur Trader, A Lebanese Widow Defies

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the HBC" in the June/July issue of *The Beaver*, a magazine of Canadian history.

Mark C. Steinman, BCom'69, is the Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer of Spar Aerospace Ltd.

THE '70S

Nicolaas Devries, BMUS'70, runs eight bands, most of them dixie, along with a few jazz and big band groups. He has written four books: *Growing Up in Holland; My Life in Army, Black Watch Band and Soldiers; Music;* and *Wisdoms*. All proceeds from sales go to music scholarships for young Canadians.

Adalbert Konrad, BEng'70, MEng'71, PhD'75, was promoted to Professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Toronto, effective July 1, 1996.

Evelyn Thaw Maizen, BSc'70, DipEd'71, won the Certified General Accountants Association of Ontario's Chapter Distinguished Service Award. She also teaches at St. Lawrence College and maintains a part-time private practice.

Mark Romoff, BSc'70, Minister-Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo, was appointed Consul-General in Buffalo, N.Y.

Dr. Barry Dolman, BSc'71, is President of the Canadian Dental Association.

Carol Hancock, BA'71, published *Nellie McClung: No Small Legacy*, an account of the religious faith that formed the basis of McClung's work in the human rights and women's suffrage movements.

Eileen Pencer, BA'71, BEd'72, MEd'80, BSW'81, was appointed President and CEO of Lower Eastside Service Centre, a 170-person, private, non-profit social service agency providing substance abuse treatment and HIV-related services in New York City. She and her husband, **Joe Muskatel,** BA'72, enjoy Manhattan and send their warmest greetings to McGill classmates and friends.

Howard Balloch, BA'72, MA'74, was appointed Canadian Ambassador to China.

Robert S. Broughton, PhD'72, was granted Fellow status in the American Society of Agricultural Engineers. He has been instrumental in the installation of drainage and water management systems in Egypt, Pakistan and India.

Valerie Gilchrist, B(PT)'72, BSc(PT)'73, received one of the first Master Teacher awards to be given by the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine. One of her less traditional theories involves using literature in the teaching of medicine.

Irene L. Goldstone, BN'72, received the Award of Excellence in Education from the Canadian Association of Nurses in AIDS Care in April. She participated in the Agnes C. Turner Memorial Lecture celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the School of Nursing, Royal Victoria Hospital, in June, and she climbed McGill Mountain, Ellesmere Island Park Reserve, in July.

Joe Muskatel, BA'72, is a Vice-President in Derivatives Finance at Lehman Brothers, a New York City-based global investment bank.

Jack Silverstone, BA'72, BCL'76, LLB'78, will take a year's leave of absence from the Canadian Jewish Congress where he has served as the National Executive Director and General Counsel for the past 11 years. He and his wife, Ann, who studies social work at McGill, and their three children will spend the year in Ra'ananna, north of Tel Aviv, where he hopes to to do some groundwork for the February 23-March 5, 1997, CJC congress, attend conferences and write about contemporary Jewish life.

Conrad Black, MA'73, has replaced William Ardell as CEO of Southam News.

Norman C. Davidson, BSc'73, was appointed Vice-President, Information Technology, of the Equitable Life Insurance Company of Canada, in Waterloo, Ont., in August.

Sarah E. Pepall, BA'73, LLB'76, is a managing partner at the Toronto law firm, McMillan Binch.

Cecily Bregman, BEd'74, MEd'76, was elected to a two year term as President of the Board of Directors of the Golden Age Association.

Mark Zarecki, BSW'74, MSW'83, is moving to Ottawa to become Director of Jewish Family Services for the Ottawa Carleton region. His wife, **Gladys Benaich Zarecki,** BA'79, and their three children will move with him to Ottawa.

Albert Tabah, BSc'75, MLS'80, PhD'96, has completed a PhD in library science. He teaches library studies courses at the Université de Montréal.

Dave Williams, BSc'76, MSc'83, MD'83, will be an astronaut aboard the 16-day space mission on the shuttle Columbia in 1998. The mission

will investigate the effects of zero gravity on the nervous systems of animals and humans.

Jeffrey B. Steiner, BA'77, had his name added to the masthead of the New York-based national law firm, Brown Raysman Millstein LLP, now known as Brown Raysman Millstein Felder & Steiner LLP.

THE '80s

Alan F. Barker, MBA'80, was named Vice-President of the Communications Systems division of the Canadian Marconi Company, where he has been since 1980.

Terri Foxman, BA'80, is a freelance researcher on a wide range of subjects for documentary films, radio, books and magazines. She has worked on projects for the NFB, CBC, BBC and RCI, and recently won a Gémeaux Award for research on the Documentary series *Steinberg* that aired on Radio-Canada. She lives in Montreal with her husband, artist Yves Landry, and stepson, Guillaume Landry.

Dr. Lucien Abenhaim, MSc'81, is Director of the Centre for Clinical Epidemiology at the Jewish General and professor of epidemiology and biostatistics at McGill University. He researches primary pulmonary hypertension and its links to appetite-suppressant drugs.

Gaetano Di Guglielmo, DipPubAcct'81, was admitted to partnership in the accounting firm Miller Hersch. He recently received his Trustee Licence.

Marc Poulin, MBA'81, started his own consulting firm this spring, specializing in e-mail and the internet. In July, he passed the certification exam for Microsoft Exchange Servers.

Yves Beaucage, BEd'82, BA'84, coaches the Concordia Stingers hockey team in the Ontario University Athletic Association.

David McGovern, BA'82, has been appointed Director of Rail Policy with Transport Canada.

Myra Plotnick, BSc'82, DipOccHygiene'85, MSc'87, was appointed Assistant to the CEO of Monsanto Company. She is Director of Environment, Health and Safety of Monsanto Company.

Bob Thirsk, MD'82, was a payload specialist on the 1996 16-day Life and Microgravity Spacelab mission of the space shuttle Columbia. During the mission he conducted human physiology experiments concerning musculoskeletal, cardiopulmonary, neurological and regulatory systems, as well as human behaviour and performance. He has served on several space medicine, space station and mission planning working groups, and researches space medical problems for the CSA. He is also an adjunct professor of the University of Victoria.

Michael Churchill-Smith, MD'83, is Chief of the Montreal General Hospital's Department of Emergency Medicine. He is involved in a project to establish a hospital-based helicopter service to patients located outside metropolitan Montreal.

Avi Friedman, MArch'83, is director of the affordable homes program at McGill's School of Architecture. He designed the "Next Home," a full-scale prototype constructed on the McGill lower campus. The Next Home responds to the needs of previously marginalized home buyers such as single-parent families, childless couples, and single people.

Robert E. Seguin, BCom'83, was appointed Vice-President of Yorkton Securities Inc. in July. He previously worked with Midland Walwyn Capital in Geneva, where he was responsible for institutional coverage of French and Italian accounts.

George Burnett, BEd'85, is a coach with the Binghamton Rangers of the American Hockey League.

Edwin A. Carlson, BSc'85, graduated from the UCLA School of Law and works as an environmental lawyer at the Los Angeles office of the Washington, D.C.-based law firm McKenna & Cuneo. He is married to **Anne Schwartz,** BSc'82, MSc'85, a post-doctoral fellow at the UCLA Cancer Center. They have two children, Sophie and Dyllon.

Sven Larsson, MSc'85, is a senior production seismologist. He and his wife and two sons moved to Sarawak, Malaysia, in July for an assignment with Shell Sarawak. They are looking forward to the wildlife, tropical food and warm climate of Borneo, having spent the last six years in Aberdeen and London.

Mike Babcock, BEd'86, of the WHL's Spokane Chiefs and former McGill all-star defenceman, was appointed Head Coach of the Canadian national junior team.

Lorne Cassoff, MEd'86, is involved with his father's almost 40-year old company, Active Realty, which specializes in the sale of small businesses and franchises.

Doug Hylton, BA'86, DipTrans'89, is Executive Director of TriStar Pictures.

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Kate Korley Sutton-Jones, BEd'88, is a teacher in London, England.

John K. Stavrianos, BA'88, MA'92, studies and teaches at the University of Athens. His PhD thesis is entitled "The Residual Effects of Indeterminacy in the Language of Wallace Stevens."

Serge Grenier, BEng'89, MEng'92, is Technical Manager of the Perma Group's Thermal Spraying program. He expects to complete his PhD thesis on the plasma deposition of TiN films in 1996.

George Kim, BEng'89, PhD'95, is Marketing Manager of the Perma Group's Thermal Spraying program. He has researched materials sciences and coatings for seven years and has completed a PhD thesis on physical vapour deposition.

John Laatunen, BA'89, was accepted into the Epsilon Upsilon Chapter of the Kappa Delta Pi National Education Honour Society at SUNY Potsdam. He attained a Master of Science in Teaching degree in Secondary Social Studies.

Rosanna d'Orazio, BA'89, is a drug abuse prevention educator with the Jérôme-LeRoyer School Board and a drug rehab counsellor at Pavillon Foster. She will contribute a presentation entitled "Substance Abuse Education" at Youth Violence and the School, an international conference on school violence and methods of prevention.

THE '90S

Theodora Alexakis, BEng'90, MEng'92, is Marketing Manager of the Perma Group's Equipment Engineering program in Montreal.

Kasey Fukada, BA'90, received an MBA from the Darden School at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. He will work with RBC Dominion Securities, Inc. in Toronto.

Bryan C.G. Haynes, BA'90, LLB'93, practises corporate and commercial law at Lawson, Lundell, Lawson, and McIntosh in Vancouver. He and his wife, Claire Boudreau, have one child, Stephanie Claire Marie, born June 22, 1996.

Martin Raymond, BEd'90, MA'96, was appointed Head Coach of the McGill Redmen hockey team for the 1996-97 season.

Bryan Larkin, BCom'91, is a coach with the Swindon Wildcats of the British Ice Hockey League.

Platon Manoliadis, BEng'91, MEng'96, is Production Manager of the Perma Group's Equipment Engineering program. He has designed plasma systems for the Perma Group's facilties as well as for commercial sale.

Jamie Reeve, BEd'91, is an assistant coach with the WHL's Swift Current Broncos.

James Stewart, BA'92, BEd'94, teaches technology in a global society and history at the International School of Panama.

David Arlettaz, BEng(Chem)'93, did two years of graduate work in Paris and is now an analyst in telecommunications for a French bank in Hong Kong.

Jaidip Chatterjee, MSc'93, is doing graduate work in biochemistry at McGill.

Monica Creery, LLB'93, is an associate (litigation) at Osler, Hoskin, and Harcourt in Toronto.

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Scot Robert Ralph Daniels, BA'93, attained a mater's degree from Queen's University and is a srategy consultant at Monitor Company.

Jennfer Evans, BA'93, is completing the second ear of a PhD program in history at the StateUniversity of New York and is planning an aitumn 1997 trip to Germany to do researcn.

Tamra Frishling, BCom'93, MSc'96, has completed a masters degree in speech-languagpathology. A week after graduating, she marred **Michael Weinerman,** BCom'91.

Gayl L. Goldin, BA'93, married Jeff Levy last Decenber and moved to Boston in the spring, wher she is working on a master's degree in urbar policy at Tufts University.

Mauy LaFoy, BMus'93, lives in Toronto and playswith jazz bands as well as with various group including "Fall Down Go Boom" and the Arlene Bishop Band.

Heatier Lawrence, MBA'93, joined the Federal Treaty Office as a negotiator responsible for the negotiation of treaties with First Nations n northwestern British Columbia.

Eric Légaré, BEng(Chem)'93, spent three months working and touring in Paris. He now lives in Houston, Texas.

Marie-Claude Lessard, BSc(PT)'93, is a travelling therapist in North and South Carolina.

Shannan Levere, BCom'93, spent two months this summer in Australia and is now attending the University of Western Ontario's MBA program.

Davelle Morrison, BCom'93, works in the corporate sponsorships department of the Toronto International Film Festival.

J. Andrew Potter, BA'93, is completing a PhD in philosophy at the University of Toronto.

Evan Terry, BA'93, is a computer consultant in Troy, Mich.

Dr. Charles Weijer, BA'93, MSc'95, is a bioethicist at Mount Sinai Hospital of the University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics.

Julie Bayle, BA'94, completed an MA in management at a *grande école* in France. She was an advertising intern in Boston with Hill Holliday Inc. in the fall of 1996.

Mitchell Belman, BA'94, is in the Radio and Television Arts program at Ryerson University in Toronto. He will graduate in April 1997.

Jessica Contrastano, BCom'94, works in marketing for Avon.

Corey J. Cook, BA'94, is attending the Master in Management program at the Conlon School of Economics at the London Business School. He has taken a 12-month leave from corporate finance practice at KPMG Peat Marwick.

Angelo Dizazzo, BEng'94, works for Revay and Associates Ltd., an engineering consulting company that specializes in claims resolution and project planning and management.

Patricia Fernandez, BEng'94, works for Ericsson Telecom. She has travelled to Ireland and Sweden.

Debbie Gardos, BSc'94, spent three weeks in Israel this summer. She works and teaches skating in Montreal.

Jeff Jubenville, MMus'94, moved to Boston where he is church organist at King's Chapel.

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David Morgenstern, BA'94, lives in Singapore where he works as Asia Regional Manager for an international engineering firm.

Tracy Pratt, BMus'94, has two children, Ben, aged 1 1/2, and Jonathan, aged nine months. She and her husband are moving to Vancouver, where her husband will go back to school. She will continue to teach music and piano.

Helen Roumeliotis, Cert(Prof)English'94, completed an MA in industrial relations and social movements at Concordia University and will begin work towards a PhD at Manchester University in England next September. In the meantime she is living in Greece and staying involved with the Club of Canadians in Athens.

Henry Rytwinski, MBA'94, lives in Poland where he works with the Mass Privatization program. He was married last year and he and his wife plan to remain in Poland for some time.

Alexa Samuels, BA'94, received a master's degree in Latin American studies from Tulane University. She spent the summer travelling in western USA and Canada.

John Serrati, BA'94, is working on a doctoral degree at the University of St. Andrew's in Scotland. He has published two articles on Roman history.

Jennifer Smith, BCom'94, took a year off and is now in her second year of law school at the University of British Columbia.

Brenda Welsh, BSc'94, is attending medical school in New Zealand. She will work in Toronto during New Zealand's summer holidays, which last from November to January.

Kelly Algier, BCom'95, works for Diners en Route as a financial analyst in corporate finance. She lives in Montreal.

Ofer Avital, MD'95, is beginning his second year of a family medicine residency at St. Mary's Hospital in Montreal.

Isabelle Beaulac, DipEd'95, taught ESL in Korea and Taiwan, and travelled to Thailand, Hong Kong, Malaysia, India and Bangladesh last year. She now teaches French as a second language at Bais Yaakov school in Outremont. In her free time, she paints.

Marilyn Bouchard, BSc(PT)'95, works at Bethesda Memorial Hospital in Boynton Beach, Florida.

Ted Cho, BA'95, works in equity research at Smith Barney in New York.

Rick Evans, BA'95, works with the Peace Corps in the West African savannah.

Kate Gibbs, BA'95, is an editorial assistant with the Smithsonian Institution Press in Washington, D.C.

Marcia James, BEd'95, is a master's candidate in the Department of Sociology in Education at the University of Toronto.

Alexandre Joyeux, BSc(Agr)'95, moved to Edmonton and has begun work on an MSc in plant genetics. He is studying disease resistance in canola with Dr. Allen Good, and in collaboration with **Marc Fortin,** PhD'87.

Paul Lalonde, BCom'95, was an associate manager in the Employee Benefits division for London Life. He was promoted and has moved to Quebec City.

Francine Lorezca, BA'95, is Elementary Education Coordinator for White Tiger Street Defence, a security consulting firm for women and children. She developed "Operation KidSmart," an abduction prevention program for children. She also teaches female high school and college students how to defend themselves.

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David Mendelsohn, BA'95, is enrolled in the Master of Architecture program at Washington University in St. Louis.

Vu Mai Uyen Ngo, BSc(PT)'95, works in Hawley, a small town in Pennsylvania.

Naomi Rubin, BSc(PT)'95, works in neuro pediatric rehab in St. John's, Newfoundland. She enjoys hiking and travelling on "the rock"!

Hoi Yan Shum, BSc'95, works at Phoenix International Life Sciences Inc. and is engaged to **David Genet,** BEng'95.

Brenda Simpson, BEd'95, worked for a year at Kateri in Kahnawake, Que., and is now back at McGill studying for an MEd.

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Laurie Yuen, BEng'95, is engaged to **Mark Lison,** BEng'95.

Sara Grose, BA'96, travelled to Germany and Poland in the spring. She works at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in Manhattan as Employee Educator for front desk and reservations agents.

Diane LeBlanc, BSW'96, was the host, in June, of a formal awareness-raising event in Rideau Hall in Ottawa. The event was a public exhibition of the late Robert Pope's paintings of sickness and healing. As the wife of the Governor-General, LeBlanc's primary concerns are native issues, cancer support, children's health, and in particular, palliative care.

Ryan Urzada, BCom'96, is an investment executive with Scotia-McLeod Inc. in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

IN MEMORIAM

THE 1920s

Jean R. Desloover, BSc'23, at Montreal on July 31, 1996.

Grace (Beard) Mathewson, Ed'24, at Knowlton, Que., in August 1995

Robert E. Elderkin, MD'24, at Fredericton Junction, N.B., on July 14, 1996.

Robert N. Crozier, PhD'28, at Springfield, Mass., on May 14, 1996.

H. Carl Goldenberg, QC, BA'28, MA'29, BCL'32, DDL'66, at Toronto on July 22, 1996.

Joyce Eileen McLelland, BA'28, at Chateau-sur-le-Lac, Que., on July 1, 1996.

Col. A. J. Kerry, BSc'29, in England in January 1996.

THE 1930s

Julius W. Koehler, BSc'30, at Stratford, Ont., on August 3, 1996.

John H. Mellor, BSc'30, at Montreal on July 9, 1996.

Janie Matheson, BSA'32, at Sackville, N.B., on June 27, 1996.

Allan Douglas Talbot, BA'33, at Kemptville, Ont., on July 20, 1996.

Robert M. MacDonald, BSA'34, at Halifax on July 24, 1996.

George A. Hutchison, BSc'35, MD'40, at Montreal on August 11, 1996.

Nathan F. Gropper, DDS'36, at Vancouver on June 17, 1996.

Edward Conroy, BSc'37, at Montreal on August 3, 1996.

Charles M. Barbour, MD'38, at Hartford, Conn., on August 24, 1995.

Arthur G. Campbell, BA'38, at Ottawa on July 17, 1996.

Eleanor I. Greenspoon, BCom'38, at Sarasota, Fla., on August 6, 1996.

Wilson James Lee, BA'38, MD'43, at Chatham, Ont., on January 27, 1996.

Robert J. J. Tipler, MD'38, at Centralia, Wash., on April 8, 1996.

Lyon Lapin, BSc'39, MD'41, at Montreal on August 23, 1996.

Robert Lloyd McIntosh, PhD'39, DSc'72, at Kingston, Ont., on July 10, 1996.

THE 1940s

Mary C.H. Nutter, BA'42, at Pierrefonds, Que., on July 9, 1996.

John R. Adams, MD'43, at Northbrook, Ill., on May 20, 1996.

A. Guy Grimaldi, BCom'43, at Hunter, N.Y., on March 9, 1996.

John S. Hendrie, BCom'43, at Hamilton, Ont., in 1996.

Clair Robert Matthews, BEng'43, at Lachute, Que., on April 27, 1995.

Melvin W. Phillips, MD'43, at Prescott, Ill, on July 25, 1996.

Irene Joan (Porteous) Ross, BLS'45, at Portland, Ont., in 1994.

Margaret (Williams) Fleming, BCom'47, at Victoria on August 11, 1996.

Patricia Yorke-Slader, BArch'47, at Ottawa on July 24, 1996.

Ray N. Lawson, DipMed'48, MSc'66, at Big Harbour, N.S., on August 5, 1996.

Wilfrid D. Tait, BSc'48, at Ottawa on July 29, 1996.

A.Winn Oughtred, BA'49, at Ottawa on July 20, 1996.

THE 1950s

Baird Spence Davis, BCom'50, at Morin Heights, Que., on August 1, 1996.

Ingrid B. Lavergne, BSc'50, BLS'51, MLS'69, at Montreal on July 27, 1996.

Camille (Cam) La Berge, BCom'51, at Kingston, Ont., on August 28, 1996.

Joseph E. O'Brien, BA'51, BCL'54, at Toronto on April 13, 1996.

Maxwell J. Deitch, BEng'52, at Scarborough, Ont., on June 13, 1996.

David James Dohan, BCL'52, at North Hatley, Que., on July 22, 1996.

John Anthony Kyte, DDS'52, at Kingsmere, Ont., on July 20, 1996.

Cyril R. Mattinson, MSc'52, PhD'58, at Coldbrooke, N.S., on February 4, 1996.

Lionel Scott Switzer, BArch'52, at Montreal on July 14, 1996.

John R. Laffoley, BA'54, BCL'59, at Chateauguay, Que., on August 11, 1996.

David M. Perry, MD'54, at Seattle, Wash., on July 20, 1996.

Peter G. Roper, BEng'55, DipMgmt'68, at Montreal on August 19, 1996.

C. Gilles Chenier, BEng'56, at Dollard des Ormeaux, Que., on July 8, 1996.

Sonia (Rosenberg) Pearl, DipP&OT'56, BA'87, at Montreal on July 26, 1996.

Jordan Ingram, BSc(Agr)'59, MSc'61, at Lethbridge, Que., on July 5, 1996.

THE 1960s

Stephen Marcovitch, BA'60, BCL'63, at Montreal on August 13, 1996.

Anne E. Carney, BN'65, at Montreal on July 2, 1996.

Ross Sullovey, BSc'65, MD'69, at Toronto on August 17, 1996.

Elaine P. (Duncan) Clarke, BSc'67, at Hamilton, Ont., on August 1, 1996.

Konstantin Harry Semeniuk, GradDipMed'68, at Victoria on July 18, 1996.

Tom Wigmore, BSc'68, MD'74, at Regina, Sask., on July 25, 1996.

Nelson D. Brott, BCL'69, at Montreal on July 11, 1996.

THE 1970s

Jennifer-Margot (MacLauchlan) Dawson, BA'74, at Montreal on July 2, 1996.

Orvald Arthur Gratias, MBA'75, at Ottawa in July 1996.

THE 1980s

Tracey Louise Guglielmin, BA'83, BEd'93, at Montreal on July 15, 1996.

John Carson Asselin, DipEd'89, at Montreal on July 19, 1996.

Marie-Thérèse Racine, SecondLangCert'89, at Montreal on July 8, 1996.

THE 1990s

Gary Knox, BEng'90, at Montreal on August 26, 1996.

Denis Meloche, MBA'92, at Montreal on July 20, 1996.

Eleni Sarris, MA'94, at Ottawa on July 14, 1996.

Roger Penning, BA'97, at Montreal on July 27, 1996.

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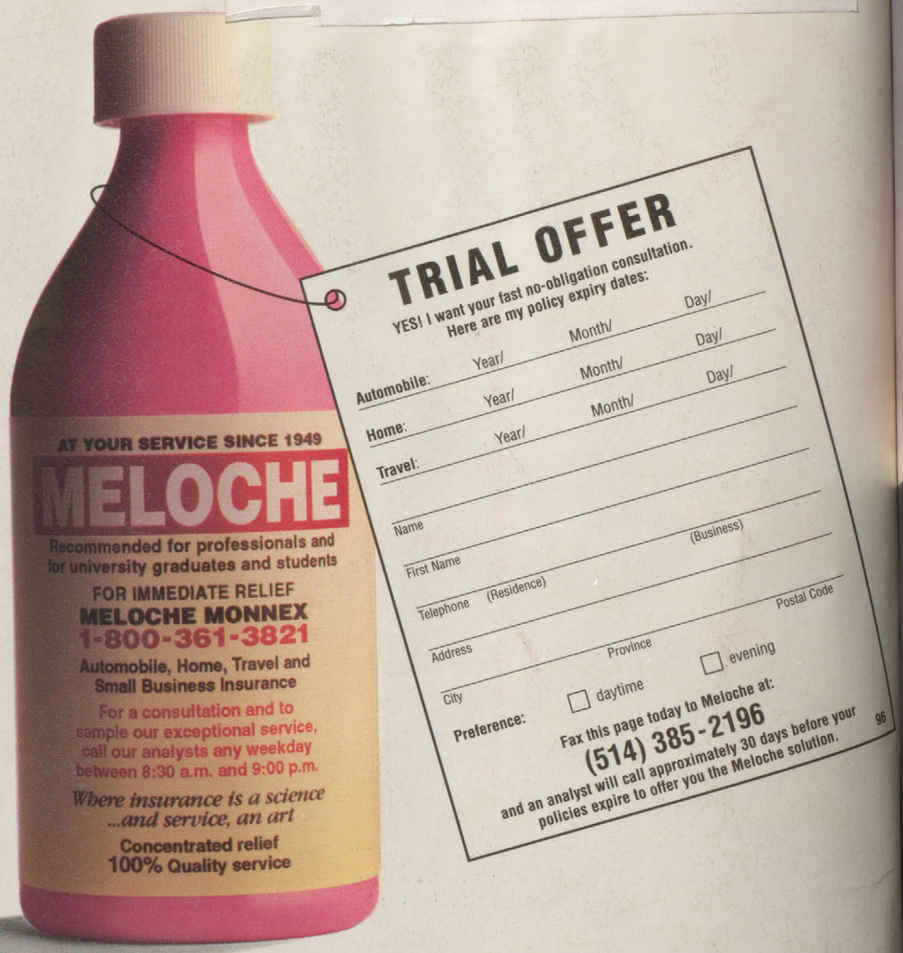

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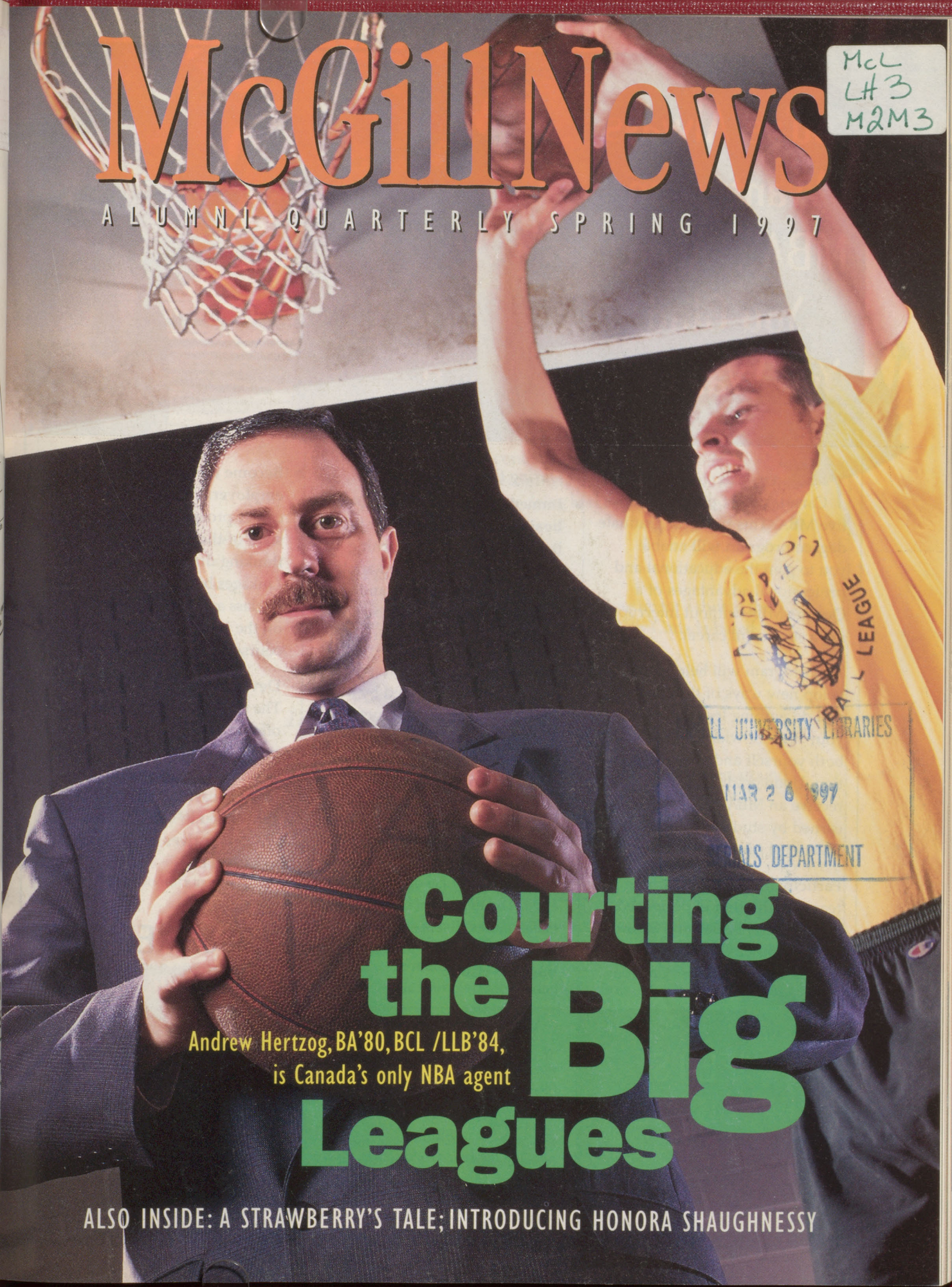

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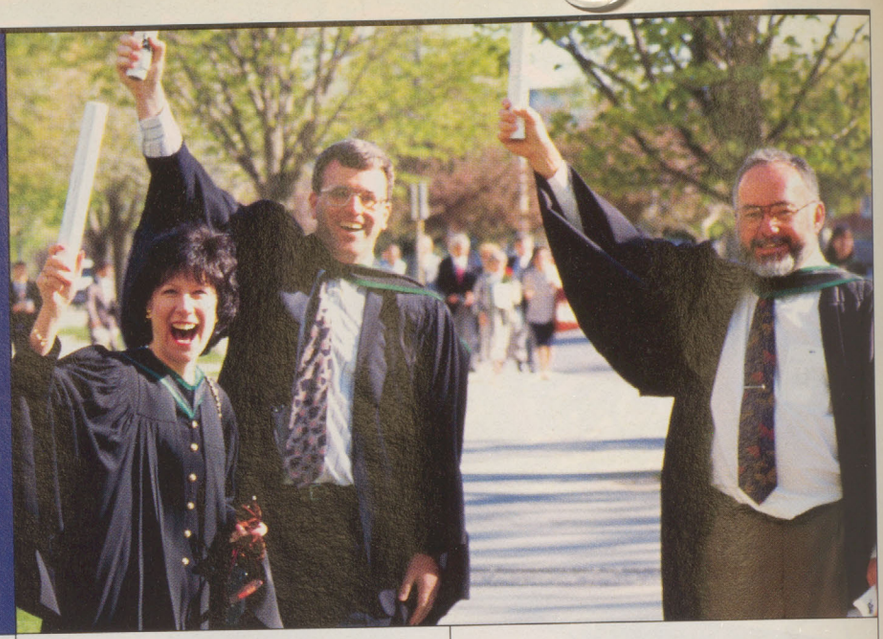

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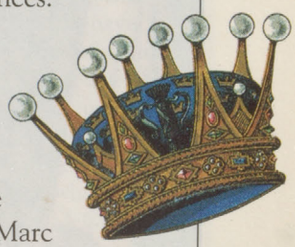
by J-P Alouette



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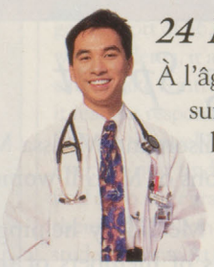

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À l'âge de 7 ans, Nguyen-Tuong Phong a vu mourir des enfants sur un bateau de réfugiés vietnamiens. Aujourd'hui, il est le meilleur étudiant en médecine de McGill et le lauréat de le médaille Holmes – lorsqu'il ne travaille pas dans le dépanneur familial

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by Diana Grier Ayton

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Jennifer Wilson (BA'97 North American Studies), left, from New Glasgow N.S. and Melisso Milo (BA'97 Sociology) from Ottawa are co-chairing CLASS ACTION this year.

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A while back, the Trimark mutual fund company sent me press material by courier. The missive warned: "In the year 2014, they say it will cost over $65,000 for an undergraduate degree." The fee took me aback, and the company hopes it will. Yet the cost is not quite as bad as it looks. Trimark arrived at $65,000 assuming three percent inflation on $8,890, the estimated yearly cost for books, rent, tuition, and food. The calculation did not take into account how salaries might rise during the same period, or consider that tuition expenses might not increase as dramatically as they have been lately. Will a $16,000 yearly burden in 2014 be any more than the $8,954 is now?

What is more interesting about the campaign is the assumption that parents should save for their children's university education, and the proof that many do not. According to an Angus Reid poll commissioned by Trimark in September 1996, only one-third of parents with children in university provide all or most of their educational expenses. Only 53 to 63 percent say they plan to help their children in the future. Saving priorities were first mortgage, then pension, and lastly kid's education. This seems to be borne out in a 1994 study by Arnaud Sales, a Université de Montréal sociologist. He studied 2,400 Quebec university students and found that 37.3 percent of of them received less than $2,000 per year of support from their parents, and another one-third got less than $4,000. Only 16 percent got support of $6,000 or more. In talking with students, it appears that some parents can't make contributions, while others feel it teaches responsibility for students to finance themselves. Many students, however, are now finding that it takes longer to find a job after graduation. Consequently, there is $1 billion in unpaid and defaulted student loans. At McGill, 35 to 45 percent of the student body receives financial aid. Judy Stymest, McGill's financial aid director, has heard many money woes, and recently worked with a national group that successfully lobbied the federal government for changes making it easier for parents to save. The Registered Education Saving Plan (RESP) income will continue to grow tax free, but can now be rolled into retirement savings if the child doesn't go on to university. There will be more loans with longer grace periods to begin repayment as well as more favourable tax breaks for charitable donations, which can benefit university in house scholarships. (The proposal for more outright grants was rejected.) According to Stymest, "The mindset in the United States is that the first degree is funded by the parents and they're committed to it; things are fuzzier in Canada because social programs have provided backup." In Canada, the majority look to the government for help. Some 62 percent of university students qualify for loans and grants based on a complicated calculation of parents' income.

So, when all is said and done, who gets to university? In this issue, one McGill student said the coolest thing about McGill is that there are rich and poor on campus (page 21). But we really don't know to what extent this is true. McGill has no family income data. "McGill has never thought it useful to have marketing information about itself, which is a mistake in my point of view," Principal Bernard Shapiro said in an interview. Governments don't require the data so McGill doesn't ask as a rule. (A voluntary McGill study of the incoming 1996 class asks such questions, but results were not tabulated at press time.)

The crux of the issue is accessibility, and a 1996 study of incoming students at 10 Canadian universities shows wide representation. One-third of students are from family incomes of $40,000 or lower, one-third from $40,000 to $70,000, and one-third from more than $70,000. While students are from Canada's top income groups, they're not only from the top groups. Even though the cost of going to university has gone up, the participation rate for 18 to 21 year olds has increased from 10 ½ percent in 1980 to to 17½ percent in 1996. There's good reason for young Canadians to attend university – university graduates have a better chance of being employed and making more money than high school graduates. Trimark might motivate parents to save by using the image of an empty nest, in addition to the $65,000 price tag.

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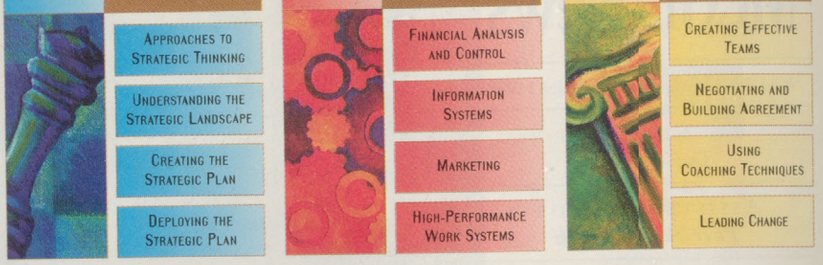

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LETTERS

The wife's reply

IT IS ALWAYS ENLGHTENING TO listen to people talking about their jobs and especially judges, as we may one day depend on their intelligence, integrity and tact. The *McGill News*'s recent piece (Judgement Day, Winter'96) proves the point. Most cases involved important questions – the right to asylum, the application of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

One of the judges, however, contents himself with telling a rather banal story of a mistress claiming some part *du gateau* at her married lover's decease, p.13. His few lines give us insights into the presumptions contributing to his decision (which was to grant her a piece of the pie). Mr. "Z," he argues, led a public and a private life, which is true. Both these lives, however, Mr. "Z" shared with his wife. He had an extra-marital affair and a long one, granted, but not only did he never "live" with his mistress, he also restricted that relationship to lunch hour visits or had her occasionally join him while he attended conferences abroad or while his wife was out of town. He kept the affair a secret for 19 years and his spouse, during their rich and interesting private life together, never knew until her husband's last breath that he had a mistress.

This shows the husband's priorities. Judge Tingley was hasty in calling this "leading two lives." He also did not mention that the photocopy of the cheque the mistress presented in court was declared to be a forgery by experts.

How do I know all this? I am the wife.

Margit Carton
Westmount, Que.

Priorities questioned

IT IS IRONIC TO USE THE WORD "priority" in reference to the Twenty-First Century Fund's $1.98 million contribution to libraries (Winter'96). The amount was less than half that raised for the new athletics complex ($28 million). It is possible to be physically fit without fancy facilities and equipment but it is not possible to be on the cutting edge of scholarship and research with out-dated, ill-equipped, unsafe libraries. For instance, McLennan-Redpath, the library for all arts programs, offers service from only 12-4 pm on Sundays, and has warning signs posted in the women's washrooms. Except for "Equipment and Renewed Spaces" ($9.76 million), libraries received the least amount of any priority, despite the fact that libraries are the fundamental element of a university.

Chandra Wohleber, BA'97
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Broader audience

I READ THE ARTICLE, "UNE HISTOIRE sociale des idées au Québec de 1760 à 1960" (Winter'96). It brought new insight and perspective to my "Quebec view." Translating it in a later issue would extend the value of its content to a broader audience.

John Kittredge, BSc'65
Toronto, Ont.

Ed. note: Mr. Kittredge was not the only one who suggested the value of an English translation of this article. We will provide English translations for future French-language articles.

Where's James?

THE ARTICLE ON THE NEW STATUE of James McGill was interesting (Fall'96, p. 2) but left out one critical piece of information – where on campus is it located?

Mariam S. Pal, BA'82, MA'86
Asian Development Bank
Manila, Phillipines

Ed. note: Good point. Just walk through the Roddick Gates, stroll a little further up the path, and James McGill cannot be missed! The striking statue was funded by the McGill Associates, a group of non-alumni businesspeople in Montreal, chaired by Alex Kalil.

Mac on the move

THE ARTICLE "ACADEMIC MOVES" (Winter'96) helped readers understand decisions faculty make in response to Quebec politics. But you make no reference to what happened on the Macdonald campus over the past 30 years as a result of Quebec separatism. I was a member of the Faculty of Agriculture until the summer of 1967 when Charles de Gaulle made his "free Quebec" speech. But I had already made my decision to leave the province because Quebec politics were discouraging students in the Atlantic provinces from entering Macdonald College. Both Dean Dion and retired Dean Brittain encouraged me to return to the Nova Scotia Agriculture College (NSAC) and to help maintain the flow of students from NSAC to Mac.

The educational objectives that Sir William Macdonald and Principal James Robertson had when they established the Mac campus for the benefit of eastern Canada are now being met by three separate colleges controlled by three separate provinces. It would help meet the objectives of the founders of Macdonald College if the campuses in Montreal, Truro and Charlottetown could be brought under one administration.

John S. Bubar, BSc(Agr)'52, PhD'57
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Patient's decision

IT MAY VERY WELL BE THAT THERE are too many lawyers in this world. But in criticizing their presence in a Clinical Trials Research Group, Dr. Stephen insists that decisions relating to a patient's right to die "should be made primarily by the physician caring for the patient and by the immediate relatives" (Letters, Fall'96).

The right to die is an issue of extraordinary sensitivity, like other issues over which society is not unanimous. I suspect lawyers are involved given the legitimate hesitation on the part of certain physicians to pursue a course of action which could lead to criminal prosecution or a civil claim and the statements by courts that the matter ought to be addressed by legislators.

The decision ought to be made primarily by the patient (often by way of a living will – itself a result of legislation) or, if the patient's wishes are unknown, by the spouse, relatives, or close friends. Neither lawyers nor physicians ought to be deciding when or how a patient will die.

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Tuition On Trial

Calling the new Quebec differential fees a "tax," not a fee, McGill Principal Bernard Shapiro argues against higher tuition fees for out-of-province students.

by Janice Paskey

It is common practice in the United States: in-state tuition fees and out-of-state tuition fees. But when the Quebec government adopted the same approach last fall – the first time ever in Canada – the idea was met with dismay by McGill administration and students alike.

Beginning this September, all out-of-province students will pay an increase of $1,200 bringing tuition to $2,868, while fees for Quebec students remain unchanged at $1,668. (International students will pay increases of between $800 to $1,700).

"I think this differential policy acts as a deterrent to interprovincial mobility that is inappropriate for a country of this sort. It's been declining anyway and so I'm opposed to charging different fees on that ground," Principal Bernard Shapiro says. In charging differential fees, Quebec has broken a sacred trust. Previously, tuition fees varied from province to province, but all Canadian universities charged students from other provinces the same tuition fees that they charged local students. Quebec's tuition fees have long been the lowest in Canada – about $1,300 below the Canadian average of $2,900 – which may well have provided incentive for out-of-province students to come to McGill and other Quebec universities.

Pressure was on the government last fall. Quebec universities were lobbying for tuition fee increases to compensate for millions of dollars in budget decreases. Meanwhile, students were protesting in the streets against any fee hikes. Across the nation, all provincial governments were cutting university grants and tuition fees were rising to compensate. The Quebec government acted with a political compromise: tuition fees for the electorate would stay the same, the outsiders would pay more. In making her differential fee announcement, Quebec Education Minister, Pauline Marois, pointed out that out-of-province students would not pay higher tuition fees than they would in their own province.

"It's a tax, not a fee," said Principal Shapiro who believes that the Quebec government could have accomplished the same goals by raising tuition fees for everyone to a lesser degree. "It's not the level of the fees I'm against, it's the differential. This approach is very popular with the public; it's always easy to get at the stranger. But we're having to charge more money without the resources to deliver the programs that more money would demand."

Indeed, McGill isn't allowed to keep any of the extra tuition fees; all the money will go to the Quebec government.

Of a student's total payment for tuition, McGill can keep only what is considered the "Quebec tuition fee portion" – an amount frozen at $1,680 per student, of which the government then takes another 20 percent, or $336, to support its student loan and bursary program. The government then gives McGill a yearly grant ($192,632 million in '96/97) but despite the tuition fee hike, the grant is being reduced by $18 million for next year. In response, McGill raised its student fees $6 per year to $206, and instituted a new $265 administrative fee to be charged to all students this fall.

"Students are worried," says Judy Stymest, Director of McGill's Student Aid Program. "Many are at the ceiling of their provincial funding in loans and bursaries." Under direction from Principal Shapiro, McGill's finance staff juggled the university budget and allocated an additional $3.9 million in student aid for '97/98, virtually doubling the amount currently available. "It is our intent that any student in need will get help," pledged Phyllis Heaphy, VP Finance, at a February meeting of the University Senate. The additional fees affect McGill more than other Quebec universities. McGill has the largest contingent of out of province students of any university in Canada – 20 percent of the student body – and the highest percentage of international students, 11 percent. McGill will soon find out if the lower fee, rather than educational quality is the incentive for out-of-province students to attend. But unfortunately, McGill has no family income data on its students, and is unable to assess what kind of burden the higher fees might pose for most students and their parents.

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Quebec Students: $1,668.30

Canadian out-of-province: $2,868.30

Doctoral (Canadian and Quebec) six semesters of residency: $1,668.30 for two semesters
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International Students
Undergraduates Arts, Education, Law, Religious Studies, and currently registered management students: $8,268.30
Agriculture, Engineering, Music, Nursing, Physical and Occupational Therapy and Sciences: $9,168.30

Master's: $8,268.30
Doctoral: $7,458.30

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Quebec: $2,225.38
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Faculty of Engineering
Master's in Manufacturing Management ($25,000)

Dentistry
International students: $32,000

Additional fees
Administrative fee of $265
Student Services fee: $206

Beyond financial concerns, McGill is concerned about perceived lack of welcome for out-of-province students. Principal Shapiro says, "I'm interested in what lawyers refer to as the colouration argument, that is, will the policy create an effect that is not intended? That is, will McGill lose its status as Canada's most national and international university?" (McGill has long argued that a diverse student body creates the best environment in which to study.) In the 1991 mission statement, McGill stated its aim to be among the world's best universities. That idea has been modified recently as Principal Shapiro uses the world's best publicly-funded universities as a more accurate point of comparison. But the idea of quality is still firmly part of the McGill culture.

"Governments have huge concerns over accessibility but not over quality," Principal Shapiro argues. "I can understand the government's financial problem, they don't have the resources they'd like to have. In that case, though, if they want to sustain the quality of the programs, something that is crucial to the future of the province, then they've got to provide other ways for universities to access funds."

In sum, Principal Shapiro says he is not surprised, but disappointed, that the government didn't keep tuition the same for all Canadians. "All Canadians pay taxes, why differentiate between one and the other?" Shapiro argues. Indeed, while education is a provincial responsibility, money for it and other services comes from the federal government in the form of a "transfer payment." This shared spending model is why the United States model doesn't quite fit, as the Quebec minister of education suggests it should.

In the American context, individual states fund education from taxpayer dollars and universities then compete for federal research grants. The well- regarded public university Berkeley has in-state tuition fees of US$2,177.25 and US$4, 197 for out-of-state. (Canada has no comparison for the expensive private American universities where tuition rings in high: US$19,770 at Harvard, for example.) If the United States is to be our model, it is worth noting that the top 10 public universities spend twice as much as Canadian universities to educate a student. And a more developed loan and bursary system means that American undergraduates do not graduate with a greater loan burden than Canadians.

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Transfert d'expertises

par Richard Latendresse, BA'85

Il fallait trouver une façon d'améliorer le rendement des fonctionnaires dans les pays en développement. C'est la conclusion a laquelle étaient arrivées plusieurs organisations internationales. On a choisi d'investir dans leur formation. Deux universités ont été mandatées: McGill et l'Université d'Auvergne en France.

Il n'existe pas – enfin, il n'existe plus – de solutions simples à des problèmes complexes.

L'époque bénie où une subvention publique venait soutenir une bonne idée pour la transformer en nouvel aéroport international, en stade olympique ou en festival de jazz est révolue. Il faut désormais faire preuve de beaucoup d'imagination.

C'est ce que McGill a démontré en 1994 en mettant sur pied le programme de maîtrise en gestion des politiques économiques (mieux connu sous le sigle EPM pour "Economic Policy Management").

Le mandat, confié par la Banque mondiale et la Fondation pour le renforcement des capacités en Afrique, consistait à former – pour les pays en développment et ceux qui s'étaient fraîchement dépêtrés des contraintes d'une économie planifiée – des gestionnaires locaux capables d'effectuer les ajustements imposés par un virage vers une économie de marché.

Un mandat sous forme de véritable défi qui a lancé l'Université dans une suite insoupçonnée d'innovations. Première d'entre elles: l'association de deux unités pour offrir cette maîtrise, la faculté de gestion et la faculté des arts (département d'économie). "On souhaitait bâtir un programme de maîtrise plus pratique que théorique", affirme Jan Jorgensen, son principal concepteur, "un programme qui aiderait vraiment les gestionnaires." Les étudiants font donc moins de mathématiques, mais davantage d'études de cas, de situations, de problèmes.

Abigail Forson, étudiante ghanéenne, y voit une des grandes forces du programme. "J'ai affiné, comme économiste, mes propres capacités analytiques, en approfondissant du mème coup mon jugement et ma confiance personnelle." Cette confiance, elle et ses collègues ont aussi pu la raffermir grâce au stage de six mois qui couronne les 18 mois de formation théorique. Là encore, il y a pour l'université tout un défi à relever: chaque année, offrir à une trentaine d'étudiants des stages qui, idéalement, amélioreront leur efficacité et qui peuvent se faire dans n'importe quel pays, sauf le pays d'origine de l'étudiant.

Tout ne se passe malheureusement pas aussi bien que ce stage dans les Antilles qui n'annonçait rien de spécial et qui a finalement permis à un étudiant de participer à une audacieuse réforme du régime fiscal. "Nous comptons davantage faire participer les étudiants au choix d'un stage," promet Linda Montreuil, l'administratrice du programme. "Ils devront préciser quel genre de stage ils souhaitent, dans quel type d'organisme, dans quelle ville – et nous tenterons d'organiser des rencontres entre les étudiants et leurs employeurs avant que le stage n'ait lieu."

Susan Mintzberg

Abigail Forson a fait son stage chez SRC Sogama où elle a travaillé avec Marjolaine Tremblay, opératrice de traitement de texte et administratice de réseau, et Caroline Asselin, secrétaire de direction (assise)

Le programme de maîtrise en gestion de la politique économique se distingue, d'autre part, par un volet de formation tout à fait inédit. Les étudiants, pratiquement tous anglophones, suivent tous des cours intensifs de français. Et McGill salue leurs efforts en décernant des "certificats de compétence en français." Un atout qui, selon Abigail Forson, aura encore une fois des conséquences bien concrètes, notamment pour les étudiants africains. "Le Ghana, pays anglophone, est entouré de pays francophones ; au ministère des Finances où je travaille, nous sommes constamment en contact avec nos collègues des pays voisins." Ainsi, c'est entre autres à la cohésion des politiques régionales que contribuera ce soutien au bilinguisme.

Mais la grande originalité de ce programme réside dans son auto-financement, tout du moins pour les trois premières promotions. Les 44 000 dollars que coûtent à chaque étudiant les deux années du programme sont assumés par la Banque mondiale, la Fondation pour le Renforcement des capacités en Afrique et ACDI : une collaboration grandement appréciée dans le milieu universitaire !

Une chance inouïe pour McGill d'ajouter à son expertise et de montrer à nouveau ce qu'elle sait faire. "Par la suite," souligne Linda Montreuil, "nous comptons sur la réputation que nous aurons acquise pour intéresser les gouvernements d'un peu partout à la survie du programme." Le calcul est simple: d'abord, les étudiants acceptés possèdent déjà une expérience de gestionnaire. "Cette formation," reconnaît avec enthousiasme Abigail Forson, "sans nécessairement me permettre de résoudre les problèmes économiques du Ghana, va m'aider à évaluer la faisabilité et la viabilité de certaines solutions."

Les pays donateurs (le Canada bien sûr, mais aussi le Japon et certains pays européens) verront dans la survie du programme un gage de rendement accru de l'argent investi. Enfin, les dirigeants des pays en développment sauront indéniablement apprécier ces fonctionnaires hautement efficaces.

McGill, en obtenant ce prestigieux programme international, avait damé le pion à la London School of Economics. Le programme compte des étudiants originaires d'Afrique, d'Asie, du Moyen-Orient et d'Amérique du Sud. Mais aujourd'hui, à en croire Abigail Forson, c'est tout le Québec qui en tire des bénéfices: "En plus d'avoir appris le français, je vais garder de Montréal l'image d'une ville cosmopolite et paisible. Une ville merveilleuse!"

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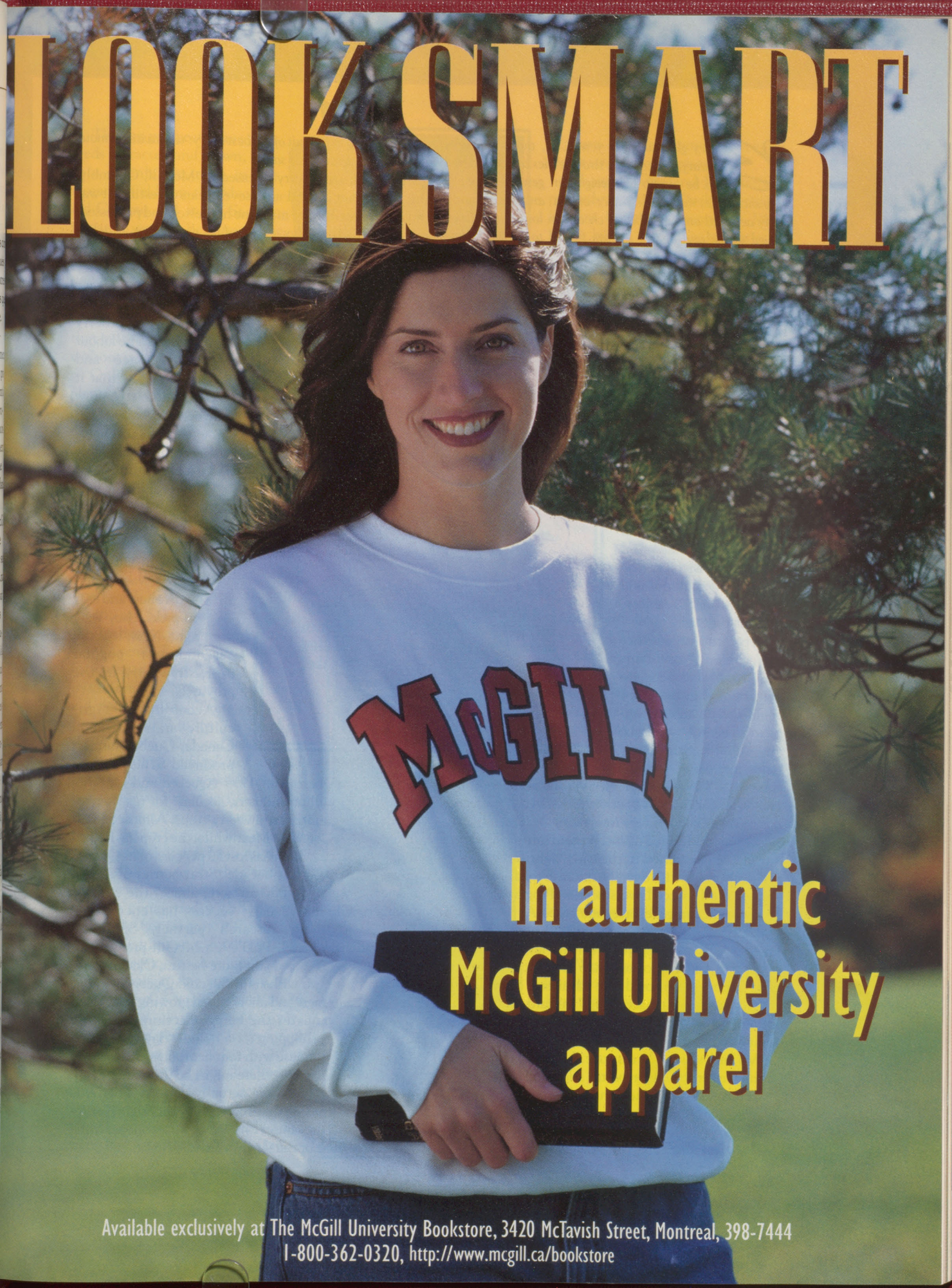

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A Strawberry Speaks

Alone or crowning something else, the strawberry's place in our gustatory fantasies is assured. But whence came the humble red fruit cradled on top of that piece of shortcake?

by J-P Alouette

Berry glad to meet you. OK, that's not very funny. Indeed, we strawberries are considered to be plump lightweights in general: plopped atop shortcake, mummified in ice-cream, and unceremoniously acidified among cubes of cheese on long trays. Even served whole and alone, we are forced to accommodate white sugar and clotted cream.

But show the poor strawberry a bit more consideration! Take me by my turned-up calyx. Nibble me. Even if you think you're a connoisseur, chances are you don't know much about me, other than that I'm a strawberry, genus Fragaria (the Latin, by the way, suggests that I should smell nice). But I'm not just any strawberry. If you buy a strawberry in Quebec, you may well have a Chambly berry, and my roots reach all the way back to Macdonald Campus and McGill's new Dean of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Deborah Buszard.

"I got into strawberries by accident," explains Buszard. "Fruit trees are my first real interest. If I could choose an environment to be in, it would be an orchard. Strawberry fields just aren't idyllic," she states. "Picking strawberries is one of the most miserable, labour-intensive activities. Strawberry research, on the other hand, is very interesting."

The nicotine weed turned Buszard into an accidental strawberry researcher. In the early eighties, the federal government, skittish over the future of tobacco farming, created the Tobacco Diversification Program, awarding grants to encourage replacement crops. At the time, the Quebec tobacco industry along the shores of the St. Lawrence River prospered with the level ground and sandy soils, which also happen to be perfect for strawberries. "I thought we could take advantage of the flat terrain for mechanical harvesting," Buszard recalls. "Then we could grow strawberries for jams and yogurts, because right now all strawberries for processing are imported."

My birth was not an easy one. I was years in the making, emerging after repeated selection for size, shape, colour, resilience and other qualities. Whereas humans have only two sets of chromosomes, we cultivated strawberries have eight sets. You can imagine the vast potential for mixing and matching in pursuit of the best berry: we have enormous variability, as scientists say.

The first strawberry released by McGill, Chambly, hit the market in 1991 after seven years of testing. It was bred specifically to be machine harvested and processed: for instance, the calyx – the tuft of green that attaches the berry to the stalk – bends up and away from the berry so that mechanical harvesters can remove the berry from the plant. But being easy to decapitate wasn't enough to ensure success; economically, the berry didn't prosper. The labour costs in Mexico and Poland are so low that it wasn't profitable to grow strawberries for processing, even with mechanical harvesting. Chambly faced a bleak future.

However, farmers thought fresh Chambly might find consumers at local markets, because the berry was sweet, red, robust and easy to pick. They were right. Now, it is the second-most popular fresh strawberry in the province.

According to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Quebec farmers produced $16.5 million worth of strawberries in 1995 (Quebec and Ontario, with its $19 million industry, account for nearly two-thirds of the country's strawberry crop). Almost $4 million was from Chambly. Meanwhile, the crop has helped replace tobacco, which has lost 50 per cent of its Quebec growers over the last decade. Strawberries also earn farmers close to $4,000 an acre, almost the same as tobacco. Chambly's early success has encouraged Buszard and her research partner, Shahrokh Khanizadeh, MSc'84, PhD'89, a McGill professor in plant science, to breed two more berries, Oka and Joliette, hardwired to withstand the cold Quebec winters, scorching summers and abbreviated growing seasons.

Buszard compares the berry-selection process to shopping for a house. "Say you want a house with four bedrooms and a garage in the city – there might be thousands available, but none actually perfect. Then you select the one that's closest to your original criteria. It's the same with berries: we set our goals and keep the optimal performers."

The top prospects have their seeds extracted and grown, first in a greenhouse, then in the research fields on the Macdonald Campus and at the St. Jean research station. Because of the vast genetic memory stored in each plant, the seedlings can be very different from each other. Buszard and Khanizadeh screen the plants for resistance to disease and pests to ensure that selections will be able to grow without pesticides.

Only in their second year do the plants produce flowers and fruit. "At that point," says Buszard, "we select the ones that look interesting. It's very much a visual assessment for vigour, disease resistance and hardiness; we might keep only one or two from a family. Those plants are evaluated in the second year of 'fruiting.' After a couple of years, if they're still interesting, we put them into replicated trials, where we would have many plants of one type in a 2- or 3-metre row. We may put out, say, 5,000 plants at the beginning of the year, and keep less than 20."

As a result, I ripen more quickly and am more resistant to cold and heat than my wild cousins who found root in Europe and the Americas. There are 2,000 strawberry cultivars, but 'tis I and my McGill siblings, Oka and Joliette, who can huddle under a blanket of straw all winter in the most unspeakable cold, then flower and ripen in Quebec's short, hot, humid growing season.

Two newer berries, Oka, released in 1993, and Joliette, fresh on the market this spring, further the experiment. "Strawberry producers were concerned with how quickly the berries grow soft and perish after harvest, so we directed our attention to developing a fruit that would stay attractive in the store for a week instead of 24 hours. We're selecting now for paler berries that darken after harvest and will stay firm and shiny." Other parameters also apply: the berries must be robust and tasty. Joliette, first bred by Khanizadeh in 1989 and refined and tested continuously since then, has a particularly rosy future because of its resistance to several major strawberry diseases.

Chambly, Oka and Joliette: the names bespeak their Quebec heritage. But few varieties get monikers. Most sprout briefly bearing only a series of letters and numbers to designate them and cryptically describe their ancestry so that Buszard and her team could reproduce them, if necessary. Chambly is the berry formerly known as *SJ84187-3*. "Only when we get to the point of submitting a plant for commercial release do we give it a name, usually that of a place with agricultural links." The patents are held by McGill, so all profits for "plant breeder's rights," a sort of horticultural copyright, are returned to the strawberry program. Chambly is the first strawberry cultivar developed in Canada to return royalties to its producer: approximately $17,000 since 1993, from almost four million plants sold to growers. Other benefits include a strong industry in Quebec, with berry plants now being exported (Wisconsin, for instance, has made a pleasant second home for Chambly), and a challenging research project for students in plant science.

Strawberries aren't as addictive as tobacco, but researchers should be aware of developing an unexpected attachment. "I'm like a parent when I see my berries in the grocery store. I get quite enthusiastic, which, of course, is completely silly. People look at me strangely." But deep down, everyone recognizes the allure of strawberries. As Buszard says confidently, "No one detests strawberries. We're producing something that gives everyone pleasure."

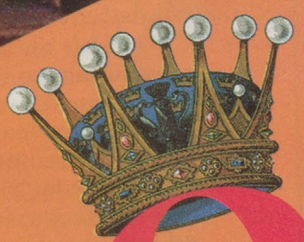
Deborah Buszard

Photo: Nicolas Morin

What sets Chambly (top), Oka (bottom) and Joliette (middle) apart? All three are high-yielding, June-bearing plants, meaning they give more berries than your average strawberry plant. The Oka berry is a deep red at harvest. Chambly is slightly less dark, and Joliette is relatively pale. Joliette berries are the largest of the three; Chambly isn't far behind, but Oka, though still an average-sized berry, is small compared to the others. Chambly also has its unique up-turned calyx. All three are flavourful, although a connoisseur might find Chambly the sweetest. Joliette stands out in the "disease resistance" category: this is one strong berry. All three plants are necessarily resistant to cold weather and can withstand -25° C when covered with 10 cm of straw mulch for winter insulation. This winter hardiness makes the berries attractive to other growers facing similar climates: Joliette is being evaluated for production in Germany, Switzerland, Belgium and Russia.

The King of C

by patrick McDonagh

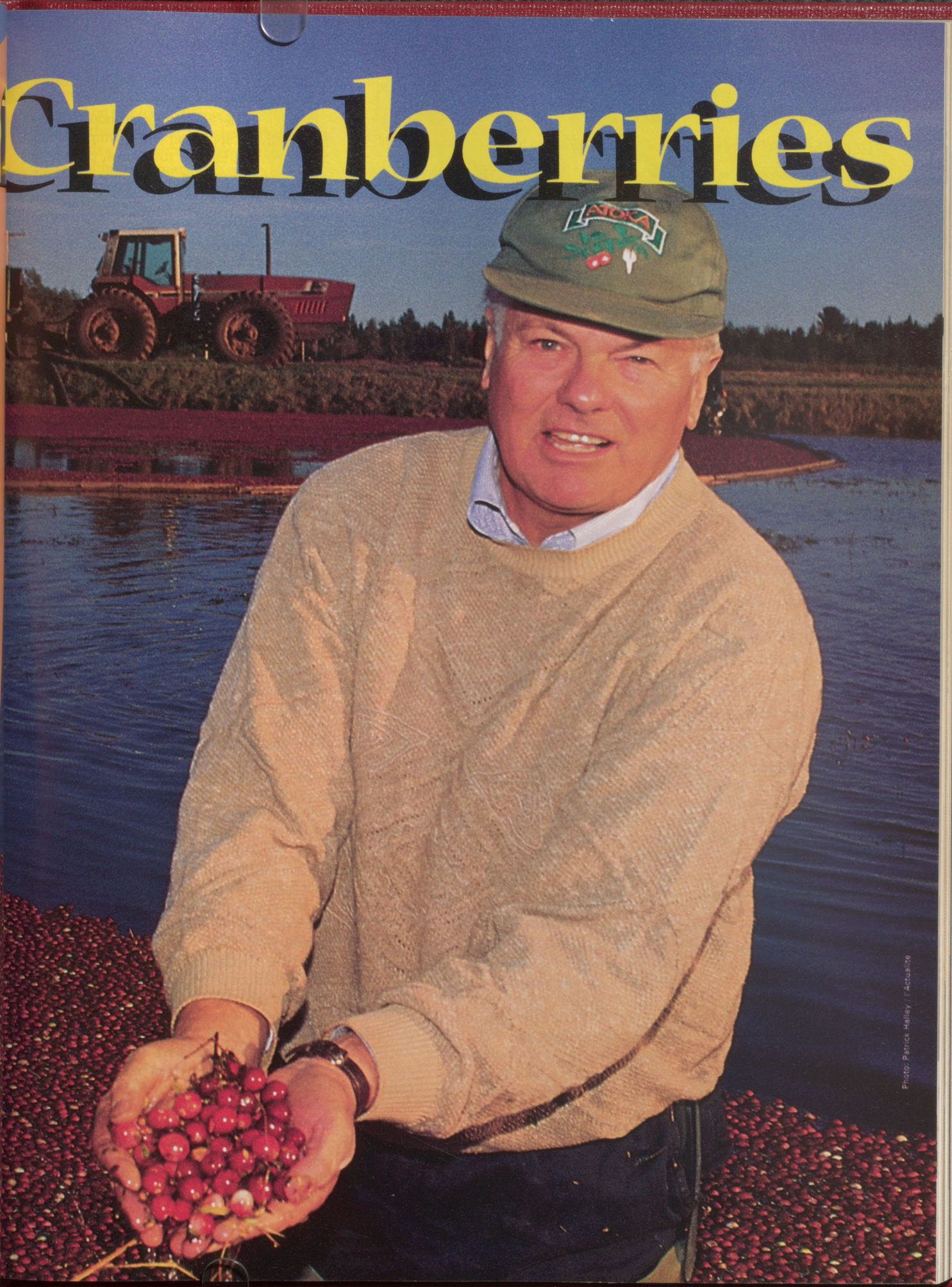


Once upon a time, not so very long ago, cranberries appeared at the dinner table twice yearly: Thanksgiving and Christmas. For the rest of the calendar, they remained forgotten, spurned, overshadowed by sweeter, less gustatorially challenging berries. But no longer. According to the Florida Department of Citrus, cranberry juice is now the third most popular fruit juice (after orange and apple) in Canada and the United States.

Canada's Cranberry King, Marc Bieler, DipAgr'58, BA'64, is helping to ensure it stays that way. Fourteen years ago, he planted his first crop on what was generally thought to be agricultural waste land near Saint-Louis-de-Blandford, Quebec. Today, his company, Atoka Cranberries – its name taken from the Abenaki word for the berry – is the largest independent grower in Canada.

The Bielers constitute a royal family of cranberries. Marie (Bussières) Bieler, BSc(Agr)'80, Marc's wife, is an agronomist with a specialty in horticulture. Marc's brother Philippe, BEng'55, has a 24 per cent interest in the company, while Jean-François, 25, one of two children Bieler had with his late first wife, works as a project manager. Marie's brother Michel, DipAgr'74, is also involved in the cranberry enterprise, and her family has a history of involvement in agriculture. Her grandfather, Adélard Godbout, was a Quebec minister of agriculture and Liberal premier from 1939-44, so it was fitting that Marc won the 1996 Adélard-Godbout award given by l'Ordre des agronomes du Québec. "The award is only given to people who don't have degrees in agriculture; I have a diploma, but not a degree. My wife isn't eligible, because

Cranberries



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In addition to being berry bluebloods, the family also has numerous McGill connections: Marc's grandfather, Charles Bieler, was Professor of Theology at the Presbyterian College; his father, Jean, BA'13, BCL'19, came from Switzerland to study at McGill, returned to Geneva, where Marc was born, but in 1941 came back to Quebec to assume the post of Deputy Minister of Finance in the provincial government; his uncle Etienne was a McGill professor of physics, while his other uncle, Jacques, BEng'23, continues to be an honorary consulting engineer for Atoka; his brother-in-law, Donald Baxter, MSc'53, headed the Montreal Neurological Institute until retiring in June 1996. Other notable Bielers include uncle André, a professor of art at Queen's University, and cousin Ted, a well-known sculptor who teaches at York. Marie's sister, Lizanne Bussières, MD'86, is one of Canada's top marathoners, winning a silver medal in the event in the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria.

she's got an agriculture degree," Bieler chuckles, enjoying the irony.

The Bielers live with their three young children, Guillaume, 5, Raymonde, 4, and Florence, 2 1/2, in a new house on the edge of the cranberry fields that financed its construction. "From the top of the house, Marc can survey all of his lands," jokes brother-in-law Michel. And a wealthy realm it is.

Spyros Bourboulis

Marc and Marie Bieler allow kids some cranberry jelly

Wealthy, because cranberries are a hot commodity, with a market that continues to grow, the robust Bieler explains, lounging in his basement office. The industry is dominated by Ocean Spray, the Massachusetts-based growers' co-op that includes most American and Canadian producers; they generated US $1.4 billion last year, according to company spokesperson Skip Colcord. Their advertising campaigns over the past two decades are responsible for making cranberries familiar to the workaday palate. In 1960, almost all of the cranberry market was in sauces. However, in 1959, rumours (long since disproved) that cranberries could cause cancer put the industry at risk during the fall holiday season, the only time the berries had a market. Ocean Spray decided to develop a year-round market to avoid a recurrence of the near-disaster, and by the mid 1970s half of cranberry sales were in drinks. Today, that number is over 80 per cent.

But Ocean Spray was guarding its territory jealously. When Bieler started, the co-op had 85 per cent of the market and wasn't taking on new members. "We had trouble getting financing because the banks would say, 'Well, you're not with Ocean Spray – how are you going to sell?' So early in the game we had to develop a diverse clientele, selling fresh fruit, bulk fruit, sauce, and specialized packages, under our own name and to distributors. This year we're also set up to sell juice to bottlers." While not seriously challenging Ocean Spray, Atoka has claimed a good chunk of the cranberry world as its own.

The Atoka empire has grown steadily, but the first steps weren't easy. A cranberry field requires three years to mature to the point where it will yield berries, and five years before it will give the farmer a full crop. At an average start-up cost of $30,000 an acre for engineering, bed preparation and planting, those first thin years eliminate many a farmer who would be king.

Bieler knew the game though. "I was in the apple and maple syrup business in the Eastern townships, producing and processing," he recalls. "I and my partners at the time saw that there was a market for cranberries, and we already knew the agriculture business. We hired some consultants and decided that this was a good area to farm." Bieler's apple background has been an asset in other ways as well; he met Marie while she was managing her parents' apple orchard at Frelighsburg in the Eastern townships. A farm management specialist, Marie was also involved in marketing, but, she observes, "with each additional child, my input has decreased."

Plants need the right soil if they are to flourish. Luckily for the Bielers, the right soil for cranberry plants – swamp land – is the wrong soil for almost everything else, so the land is relatively inexpensive and readily available. Cranberries are very site-specific, thriving in acidic soil and sand. Atoka's land was reserved by the Department of Agriculture at the beginning of the century to sell to people who wanted to set up agricultural operations. No one wanted it, though. Nothing but cranberries will grow there.

But if you can grow cranberries, you don't need to grow anything else. While the discreet Bielers will not say exactly what the profit margins are, cranberry people in general note that theirs is perhaps the biggest money-maker of any crop, barring the illegal marijuana industry. The American market consumes 65 per cent of the Bielers' product, while 27 per cent is sold in Quebec, five per cent in the rest of Canada, and three per cent in Europe. This year, Bieler's farm produced 3.7 million pounds for happy gourmets.

"Cranberries like a northern climate," Bieler observes, grinning. "This area has optimal weather conditions," he continues, happy in the knowledge that few farmers can say the same of Quebec. Bieler's region is one of the prime growing areas in Canada, along with the Vancouver suburb of Richmond, home to many Ocean Spray growers.

The berries also suit the Canadian economy because they aren't particularly labour-intensive, meaning Canadian growers do not have to compete with lower labour prices abroad. Instead, berry-growing is high-tech, requiring sophisticated methods to control water levels for irrigation and flooding. Atoka has a 100-hectare reservoir which is drawn upon to frost-proof the plants in the spring, water them in the summer, and flood the farm's 420 – and growing – acres during the harvest and over the winter. The reservoir, an important feature of any cranberry farm, also provides a home and buffet for many animals; American studies show an increase in fauna around cranberry plantations, and Atoka has its share of resident otters and waterfowl, as well as transient moose.

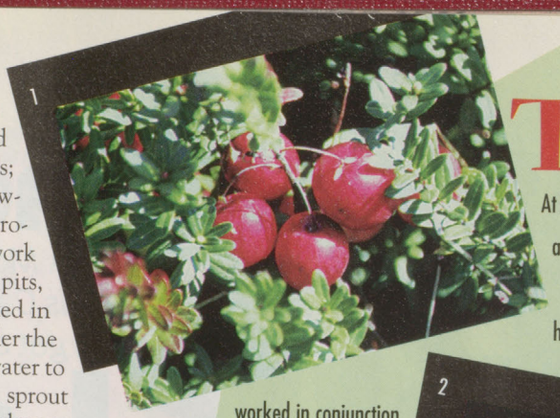
Being the Cranberry King is a year-round job. After harvest,

the beds, which are really pits several feet deep, are flooded to protect the plants from the cold. Over winter, sand is layered on the ice and snow above the dormant beds; come the thaw, the sand drops beneath the plants, renewing the beds so that with proper maintenance they can produce a healthy crop annually. Easy enough: but the real work begins in the spring. New beds – five-acre rectangular pits, 50m by 500m, that are prepared in autumn – are planted in May. Meanwhile, the crop which has emerged from under the layers of winter snow is kept under a constant spray of water to protect it from frost. Plants are fertilized in June, and sprout small pinkish-white flowers in July. At this point, the Bielers go to local apiaries to hire three hundred hives of bees to pollinate the flowers. Alas, Jean-François notes, "cranberry honey doesn't taste good, so we don't market it." As the growing season progresses, more fertilizers are added, along with herbicides for the newer beds (which are susceptible to weeds) and pesticides.

In September the fields are crimson, and excursions through the berry beds, offered throughout October by the Centre d'Interprétation de la Canneberge, entice curious tourists. The Bielers, though, do not have the luxury of admiring the autumnal hues. Harvest coincides with Canadian Thanksgiving, the start of the big market rush for the fresh berries. Atoka's workforce, which normally ranges from 15 to 25 people, swells to 40. The double task of getting the berries from the fields and to the market is exhausting. "During harvest," recalls Jean-François, "I worked fourteen to sixteen hours every day, mostly at the factory, and I was dreaming of cranberries – for six weeks!" Berries that aren't sold or processed immediately go into freezers in nearby Quebec City, and are trucked to the factory for juicing.

The Cranberry King is pushing Atoka's boundaries further each season. As he strides across bulldozed land to plant flags marking the sites of new beds, Bieler radiates enthusiasm. "It's technically quite demanding," he observes happily. Notes Jean-François, "My father loves expanding the business, maybe even more than growing berries." New land is being prepared for berry beds; the factory, just off the Trans-Canada highway, originally used to sort berries for the fresh-berry market, has grown to include climate-controlled storage space and a sauce-maker. Last year, a juicer – massive vats that clean, mulch and filter the berries – was added, so Atoka can process its own berries. The juice is sold to bottlers, such as the Metro chain of stores in Quebec, who then water it down (cranberry juice is too bitter to be palatable unalloyed), bottle it, and affix their own labels. Atoka itself markets sauces and fresh berries in Quebec, and last December sent over 120,000 pounds of cranberries tumbling onto the Christmas market.

With all those berries around, you might think that the Bielers would be bored with them. Not so, however. Marie has become an expert in "cranberry applications," developing a myriad ways one can eat the berries. As she points out, "You know cranberries have hit the mainstream when Jell-O has them as a flavour." A tart red punch makes its way to the dinner table regularly; cranberry mousse is served up for dessert. And when the Bielers, Canada's royal family of cranberries, gather around the table, cranberries cease to be a business, becoming instead what they are for others: a taste.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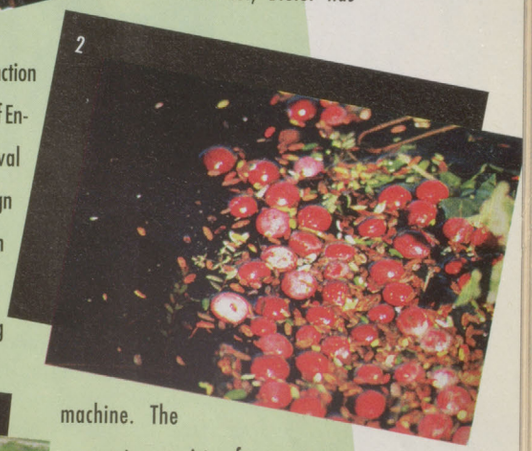
The cranberries ripen in the fall (1). At harvest time, the beds are flooded (2). To ease the trials of the harvest, Bieler has worked in conjunction with the Faculty of Engineering at Laval University to design "the bridge," an innovative and unique harvesting machine. The apparatus consists of two tractors which support either end of the bridge, which extends 50m over the width of the cranberry bed. The tractors proceed down the dikes, with the bridge strung across the bed. A beater slides along the bridge and thrashes the bushes, knocking the berries loose from the plants (3). The floating berries are then manually corralled and pushed towards one corner of the flooded bed, vacuumed into a truck, and carted away for packaging or processing at the Atoka factory (5). For harvest tours, contact Le Centre d'Interpretation de la Canneberge, at 1-888-528-2227.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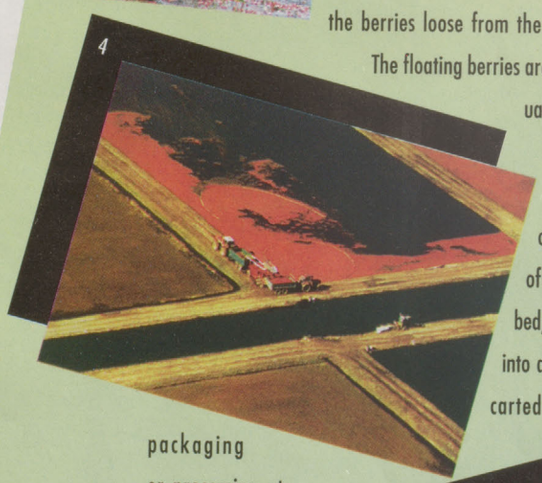
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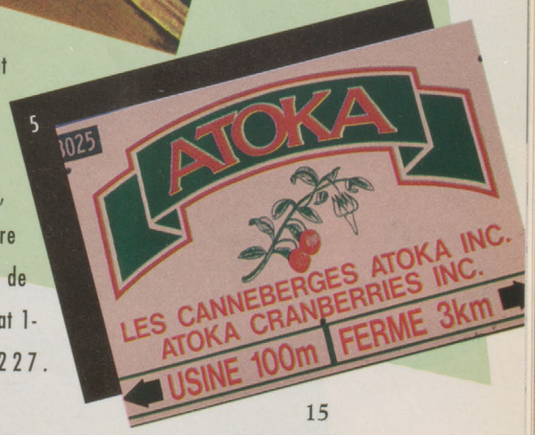

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Courting the Big Leagues

A Montreal lawyer and basketball coach is Canada's only NBA agent. When will he get a chance to play in the big leagues?

by Janice Paskey

Canada, Andrew Hertzog will tell you, is the only country in the world without its own professional basketball league. "Look at this," he says, leafing through a list of world leagues, "Qatar, Argentina, Singapore, Pakistan. . ."

He stops at the absence of Canada's name, with the exasperation typical of someone who loves the game. Hertzog, BA'80, BCL/LLB'84, is a litigation lawyer at the downtown Montreal law firm McDougall Caron and is also president of Eurosport Enterprises Inc., an agency for professional basketball players. But without a professional league in Canada, one might rightly ask how a Canadian can hope to compete in this business. Regardless, Hertzog argues that Montreal is a great place to do international business, and his ability to speak French is an advantage in dealing with the European leagues. (His own father was born in Romania, his mother in Canada.)

Hertzog and a partner formed Eurosport Enterprises three years ago to capitalize on a growing worldwide interest in professional basketball. Recently, McDougall Caron became the sole shareholder and all Eurosport profits go to the firm. As partner in the firm, Hertzog shares in those profits but does not take the agency commission directly. It's an arrangement he is happy with. The 6'6" lawyer can pursue a field that he loves without giving up his day job.

An aspiring athlete, Andrew Hertzog hoped to play basketball at McGill where he majored in North American Studies, but injuries got in the way so he modified his hoop dream. For 19 years, he has coached basketball in Montreal – first at Chomedey High School, then at the Sun Youth Organization, and now with the Vanier College AA men's team (they were 19-0 at press time). To date his most famous agency recruit is Montrealer Angelo Vourtzoumis, whom he coached at Sun Youth. Vourtzoumis now plays with the top team in Greece, Panathinaikos, which won the European championship last year, giving him celebrity status in that country.

Indeed, most international leagues wisely market the sport by stocking teams with their country's citizens. Vourtzoumis, a Canadian citizen, qualifies because both his parents are Greek. Each team also reserves a few slots for foreigners and this is where Canadian and American players, and North American agents such as Hertzog, fit in.

Hertzog represents 25 men and women who are pounding up and down courts in Greece, Croatia, Switzerland, Israel and elsewhere. League salaries can begin as low as living expenses only for players in a second- or third-tier league or in a new league such as Taiwan's. His poorest-paid player is a woman who makes US$800 per month plus living expenses in Switzerland. Meanwhile, other players make the type of money accorded to captains of industry. The top women can make US$500,000 in a country like Turkey to US$1 million for the top men in Greece, Spain, France and Italy. There are countries Hertzog won't send players to because of poor living conditions for players: the Philippines, Russia, and Tunisia, for example.

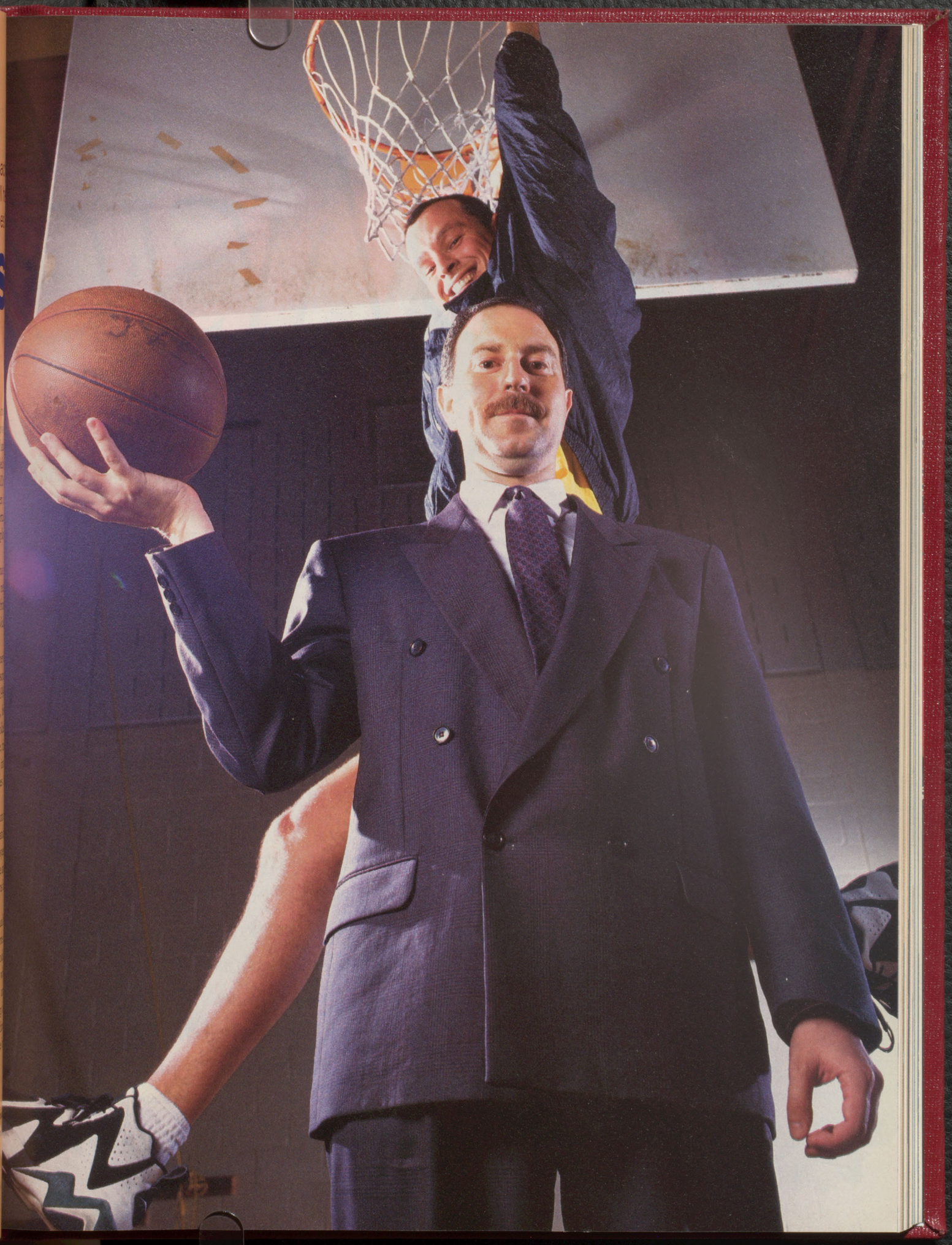
Hertzog is building his roster through scouting, and maintaining contact with coaches and players. Current players refer other players to him. He hasn't represented anyone from McGill athletics yet but thinks current McGill player Vicky Tessier has the talent to play professionally.

If so, she'll be playing outside the country. There's never been a professional women's league in Canada, although some investors started a men's Canadian league, the NBL, in 1994. But there were no restrictions on foreigners and hence, few Canadians played. Hertzog thinks that is why the league folded after one year. Meanwhile, the powerful American league, the National Basketball Association (NBA), has moved into Canada with the Raptors in Toronto and the Grizzlies in Vancouver. There are no Canadians on either team.

Yet Hertzog is setting his sights high. He is the only person in Canada certified to represent NBA players. The accreditation costs US$1,500 per year and is required by the NBA Players' Association. Three years into the business, he doesn't have any NBA hopefuls, although most of his clients are Americans he represents overseas.

As with any small business, Hertzog plans to gradually increase his profile, and consequently the number and calibre of the players until they are NBA material. For a role model, Hertzog looks to David Falk, the famous Chicago agent who represents Michael Jordan, among others. Both Falk and Hertzog agree on one thing: they're against the salary cap for rookies. "The average NBA playing span is 4.2 years, so three years is a long time for a salary cap," Hertzog argues. The big leagues beckon.

Agent Andrew Hertzog with client Curtis Robinson of Pierrefonds, Quebec, now a starting player in the English Premier Division with the Derby Storm.



Cool on

Photo: Harald Krebs

Is McGill cool? Who and what is cool at McGill? Of course we know that in 1996 "cool" is about as cool as "groovy," "hip," and "cats," but no one seems to know exactly what cool has been replaced by, so we assume it's still reasonably cool to say cool. Suggested alternatives were "chouette," "funky," and for those who walk on the wild side, "the dope." My brother, who goes to U of T, says "the word" is "wicked," but after all that's U of T, and I don't know if we subscribe to the same vocab as those Torontonians . . . Anyway, here's what McGill students have to say about what's cool at this fine institution of ours.

by Chandra Wohleber, BA'97

Campus

The Squirrel Situation

"The squirrels are cool – so are the chestnuts they eat." Marlene Elias, Biology and Environmental Science, Montreal

"The squirrels are cool because they brighten your day as you walk to class." Carmen, Nursing, New Brunswick

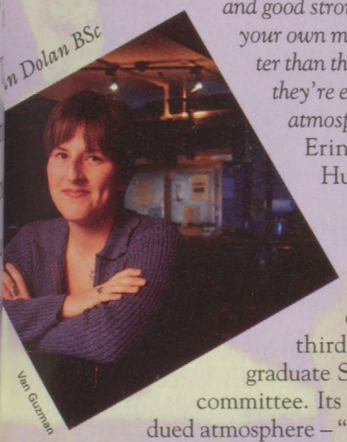
"The squirrels are cool because they really keep you going – they jump and flip – no one else does that." Anon.

"The squirrels are cool because they are tame and they eat out of your hands" A friend of Scott Willis', visiting here from elsewhere.

Sciurus carolinensis, better known as the grey squirrel, is native to North America. In the wilds these hardy little rodents are adept at gathering and hoarding tasty snacks like birch, oak, and hickory nuts. In urban environments (ahem), they eat anything from bird feeder and garden fare. Squirrels do not hibernate but prefer to venture out only in mild weather. They may be cute and cool, but squirrels can carry diseases; according to biology professor Donald Kramer, "one should avoid handling them or giving them an opportunity to bite."

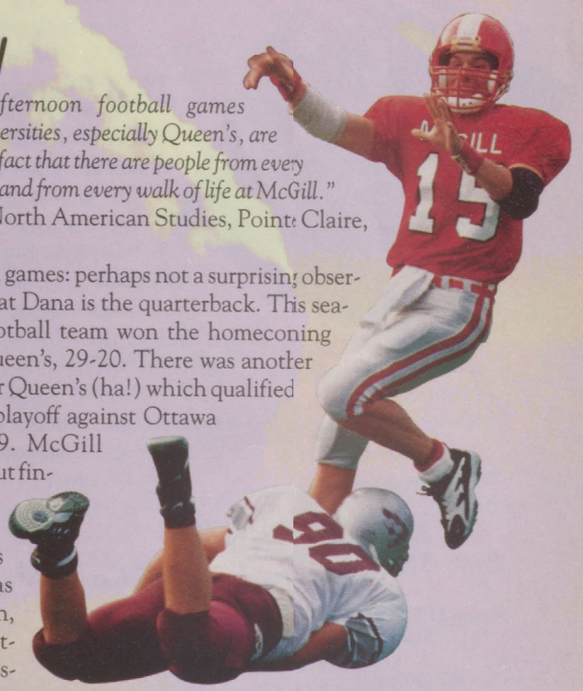
The Architecture Café

"The architecture café is cool. It has a co-op vegetarian food program and good strong coffee for 50 cents, if you have your own mug. Their prices are generally better than the prices in the other campus cafés, they're environmentally conscious and the atmosphere is comfortable and relaxed." Erin Dolan BSc, Biology and Human Genetics, Bradford, Ont.



The Architecture Cafeteria, in the basement of the Macdonald - Harrington Building, is a co-op: a-third of proceeds go to employees, a third to the Architecture Undergraduate Society, and a third to the grad committee. Its natural lighting creates a subdued atmosphere – "soothing," you might call it. In the words of Yann Bensoussan, one of the cafeteria's student directors, "It's more like a café than a cafeteria."

Football



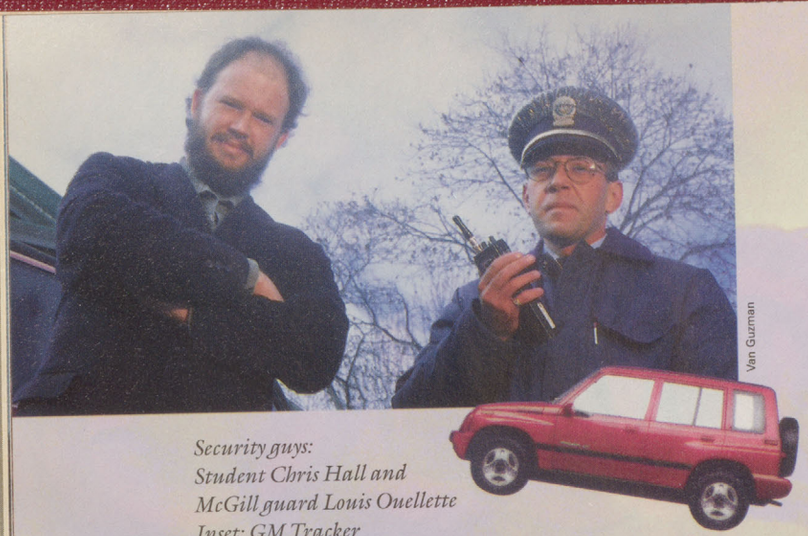
"Saturday afternoon football games against other universities, especially Queen's, are cool, and so is the fact that there are people from every region of Canada and from every walk of life at McGill." Dana Toering, North American Studies, Pointe Claire, Quebec.

Cool football games: perhaps not a surprising observation, given that Dana is the quarterback. This season McGill's football team won the homecoming game against Queen's, 29-20. There was another 19-9 victory over Queen's (ha!) which qualified McGill for the playoff against Ottawa on November 9. McGill lost that game, but finished the season with 6 wins and 4 losses. Dana's best game was against Carleton, when he completed 65% of his passes for 350 yards.

Security Jeeps

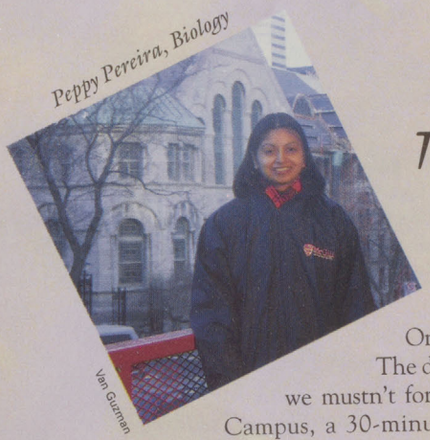
"The red McGill Security jeeps are cool – I'd like to have one!" Chris Hall, English Literature / History, OttawaValley, Ont.

The snazzy McGill "jeeps" are actually GM Trackers; I have been informed that it is not correct to call a Tracker a jeep. McGill bought five Trackers between 1991 and 1993 because they're well suited to maneuvering on a hilly and often snowy and icy campus. You can't actually drive one, though (sorry, Chris) – except for one reserve vehicle, the Trackers are only driven by McGill security agents. The reserve is theoretically available for any McGill employee but is generaly restricted to security guards and François Tavenas, VP Planning and Resources, who occasionally drives to the Macdonald Campus or to the Gault Estate. As a student you have to be in a crisis situation to get a ride in a red Tracker.



Van Guzman

Security guys: Student Chris Hall and McGill guard Louis Ouellette Inset: GM Tracker



Peppy Pereira, Biology

Van Guzman

The Campus

"It's cool to have a campus where most of the buildings and faculties are so close together – it really feels like a community." Peppy Pereira, Biology, Etobicoke, Ontario

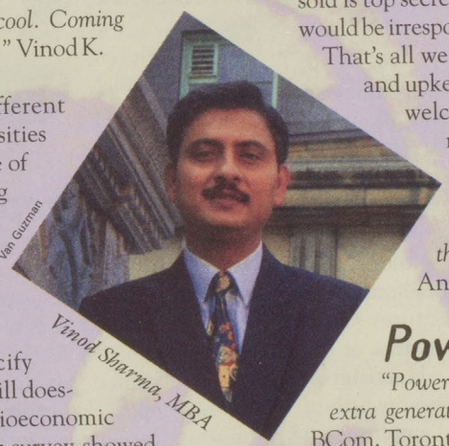
The downtown campus is compact but we mustn't forget the 544-hectare Macdonald Campus, a 30-minute drive away in St. Anne de Bellevue.

"The new McTavish street is cool . . . and the geeks sitting out on the Arts steps to smoke are cool." Carmen, Nursing, New Brunswick.

Ethnic Blend

"The ethnic blend at McGill is cool. Coming from outside you fit in very easily here." Vinod K. Sharma, MBA 1, Delhi, India

McGillers hail from 140 different countries, and of Canadian universities McGill has the highest percentage of international students. Among undergrads, 67.3% are from Quebec, 21.4% are from the rest of Canada, and 11.3 % are international. Their first language: English, 56.2 %; other, 23.9% (statistics do not specify which); and French, 19.9%. McGill doesn't keep statistics on race or socioeconomic background, but a 1995 first-year survey showed only 56.5 % of the students had European roots, while 15.7% didn't respond. The next most numerous groups were East Asian, South Asian, and Southeast Asian at 5.5% each. Americans are the largest foreign presence on campus, followed by the French and Japanese.



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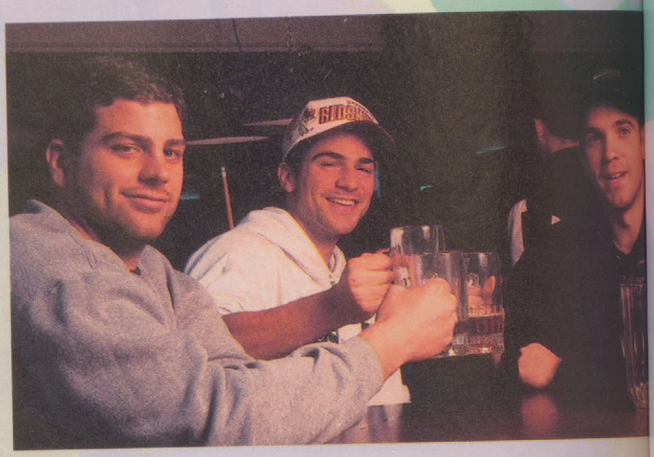
Vinod Sharma, MBA



Taking a break at Gert's: (left to right) Seth Boro, Armando Simeone and Adam Borgatti, all 3rd year Management students

Gert's

"It's cool to say that you don't like Gert's but to go there anyway." Scott Willis, BCom, Toronto

Gert's Pub, officially "Gertrude's," has been in operation since time immemorial, or at least for 30 or 40 years, and is located in the Student Union Building, aka the Shatner Building, on McTavish Street. Supposedly the name originates with a librarian named Gertrude. The pub opens at 8 am and closes at 3 am., and on Thursday nights beer costs $1 until midnight and $1.50 after that. Shooters are $2 all evening. The amount of alcohol sold is top secret. "That would be promoting drinking and that would be irresponsible," Jon Chomski, SSMU VP Finance, says.

That's all we wanted to know. Proceeds go to the operation and upkeep of the establishment, and student groups are welcome to fundraise by collecting cover charges or running coat checks, so party on at Gert's, it's cool, and we won't tell anyone you were there.

"Gert's is cool because there are only students there so you don't have to worry about weirdos." Ana, Psychology, Washington, D.C.

Power Failures

"Power failures are cool. Remember, they had to bring in extra generators to keep all the cadavers cold." Scott Willis, BCom, Toronto

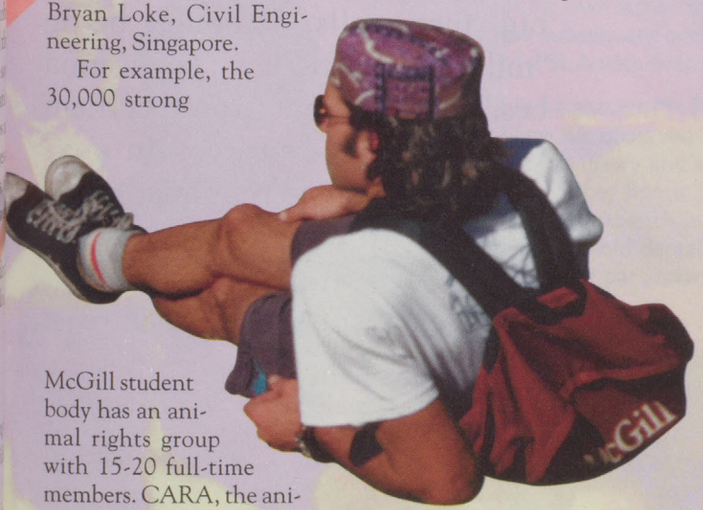
No, there aren't any Frankenstein projects at McGill, he's referring to the 50-hour power outage which lasted from Friday, Sept. 27, 1996, at 1 am, to Sunday at 3pm. The entire university was out of commission- classes were cancelled and the libraries and computer labs were locked. Although there was

some nail-biting over papers and assignments that could not be prepared for Monday, most of us were overjoyed to have an unexpected holiday! Other people were hard at work though; extra generators had to be operated to keep chilled not only the cadavers, but also an age-old chunk of iceberg being studied by geography students. The berg and biological material were saved. Hydro Quebec will pay the $160,000 for direct intervention costs and McGill is negotiating for other losses, such as costs due to lost research time.

Left wing wannabees

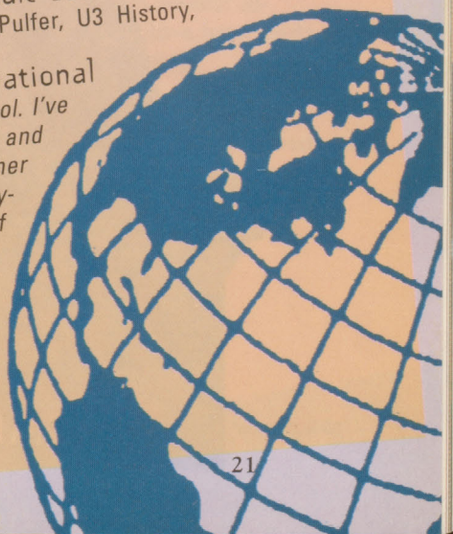
"It's cool at McGill to be a mildly apathetic left wing wanna-be. For instance, it's cool to be against tuition hikes and spending cuts, but not to actually do anything constructive about the problem." Bryan Loke, Civil Engineering, Singapore.

For example, the 30,000 strong McGill student body has an animal rights group with 15-20 full-time members. CARA, the animal rights group at Concordia, which has a student body of 26 000, has 40-50 full-time members as well as 700 registered student members and 200 members from the community at large.



Cool List

- *"Koh-i-noor 0.5 mm* pencils *are cool; everyone in architecture will know what I'm talking about!"* Rosie Olson, Architecture, Kingston, Ont.
- *"What's cool is a general lack of bodily maintenance.* The older your clothes are *and the more holes there are in them, the better."* David Simoneau, Architecture, Quebec City
- *"What's cool is how welcome you are here and* how international the campus is *... Montreal and the Montreal night life, especially on St. Laurent and at places like Mad Hatter's, is cool."* Shelina Jiwa, BSc, Ottawa, and Megumi Sasai, BSc, Vancouver
- "It's cool that it's so acceptable to be openly queer at McGill." Anon.
- *"It's cool that because McGill is downtown many of the stores, bars, clubs, restaurants, etc., are geared towards students and have* student discounts." Leslie, Psychology, Vancouver
- *"The* diversity *is cool – you can really be whoever you are – there are no cliques."* Jonathan Carle, BSc, Montreal
- *"What's cool about McGill is that I've met people who actually take the* time to think." Ian Maher, Latin American and Caribbean Studies, New Hampshire
- *"Being able to* do nothing and still get great marks *is cool."* Anon, fifth year Sociology, Toronto
  Warning: don't try this at home ... "Doing nothing" does require extra dedication since it may take a little longer than the usual three or four years to earn a degree!
- *"It's cool that we have the* lowest tuition *rates in Canada, although this is only cool as long as quality is not jeopardized."* Malcolm Koh, Finance, Montreal
- *"The* mix of students *from so many backgrounds is cool."* Robbie Beck, Agricultural Economics at Macdonald Campus, Shawville, Que.
- *"It's cool that the entire political spectrum is represented here, as well as people from* both wealthy and poor *backgrounds."* Anon.
  We have no stats to back this up as McGill does not keep records based on economic status.
- *"What's cool is all the* weird people." Ng Seen Sian, U3 Chemical Engineering, Malaysia
- "Blood drives *are cool."* Lauren Komarow, U3 Linguistics and Russian, Washington, D.C.
- *"The predominant* male sexist attitudes *at McGill are cool."* Rachel Pulfer, U3 History, Saskatoon
- *"McGill's* international reputation *is cool. I've travelled to Turkey and Egypt, among other countries, and everyone has heard of McGill."* Salim Remtulla, Management, Montreal



What's Not Cool

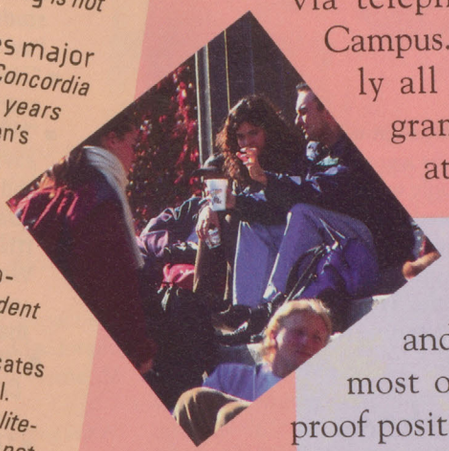
- Confronting the Red Cross
- "Gert's is out, especially because they don't do a good Long Island Iced Tea . . . Chris Carter is out, at least for the moment (this isn't a personal comment) because of the blood drive scandal." Sebasten Bordeleau, BEd TESL, Montreal

In early October, Chris Carter, the openly gay president of the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU), protested against Red Cross donor screening. The Red Cross asks gay men who have had sex with a man since 1977 to abstain from giving blood because they are a high risk group. As a result of the incident, the Red Cross cancelled its McGill blood drive.

- *"The hill to get to the education building is not cool!"* Elizabeth Pigeon, BEd, Ottawa
- *"It's not cool that there is no women's studies major here yet. There is one in the planning stages, but Concordia has had a women's studies major for twenty years* (Note: As of January 1997, McGill offers a Women's Studies major) . . . *It is also uncool that the McGill ghetto is so unsafe and that besides the Walksafe program, McGill isn't doing anything about it."* Leslie, Psychology, Vancouve
- *"It's not cool that there are so many homophobes here despite the fact that 30% of the student body is gay."* Helen Vasa, BA, Kingston, Ont.

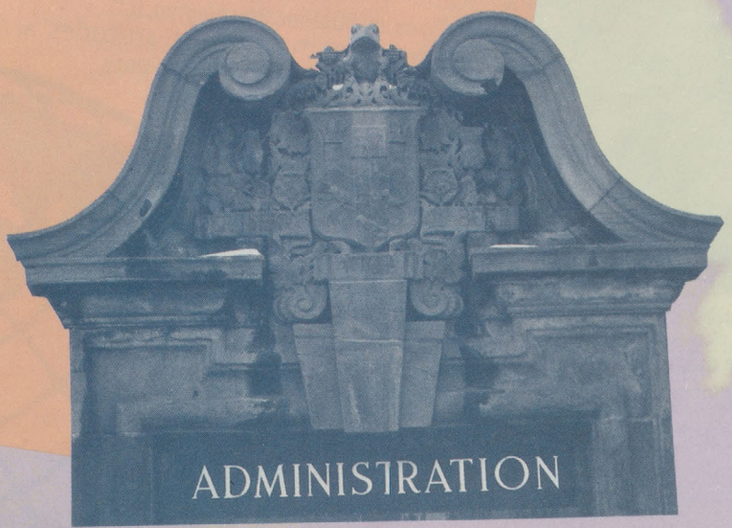
A 1995 McGill survey of 4,316 incoming students indicates that only 3.3 % of students are gay, lesbian, or bisexual.

- *"People who are "extremely intimate" to put it politely, in the stacks of the McLennan Redpath are distinctly not cool!"* Anon
- *"The administration"* said student after student. This catch-all group is deemed to be responsible for many unpopular changes, including recent tuition fee hikes for out of province and international students, the new $265 administration fee for each student and the extra fee for doctoral students writing their theses. The more things change...



And now, the research methodology: I conducted an informal survey on McGill's downtown campus and via telephone to Macdonald Campus. Students from nearly all undergraduate programs were approached at random and asked, "What's cool at McGill?" "Multiculturalism" and "the squirrels" were most often cited as cool – proof positive that we recognize and welcome the global village concept – and that we like rats with big, furry tails, although being "mildly apathetic left wing wanna bes," we don't want to protect them (like they need protection anyway!) by joining an animal rights group. With that, I leave you to draw your own conclusions about the character of McGill students.

Chandra Wohleber was the McGill News' editorial assistant and is now seeking fame and fortune in London with the Student Work Abroad Program. SWAP provides a British work visa for two years, and that's cool.



PROFILES IN PLANNED GIVING

Conjuror, Artist, Dentist, Friend

PART ONE:
THE DENTIST AS CONJUROR

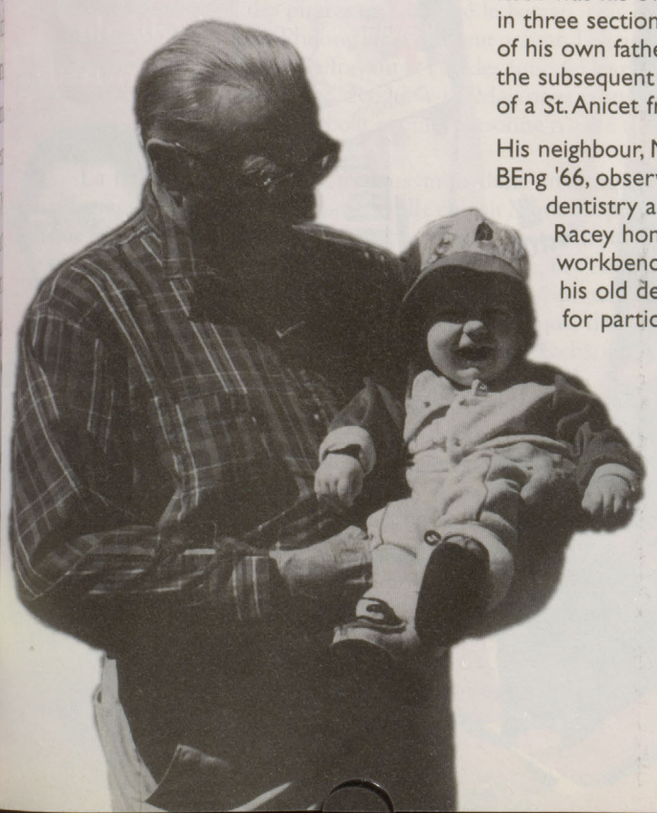
When Gerald Racey, DDS '37, was presented for the rank of Emeritus Professor in 1976, he was described as a "guide to the perplexed" who had won a "unique place in the annals of McGill University."

Dr. Racey could also, however, have been described as a gifted artist, house-builder, conjuror and popular uncle.

"I used to think going to the dentist was wonderful," recalls his niece, Susan (Mrs. H. James Godber, BCom'55). "He would pull quarters out of my ear!"

Her sister, Margaret (Mrs. William E. Stavert, BA'51) is equally enthusiastic: "He removed one of my first teeth and I wasn't even aware of it until he showed me the tooth."

As a seven-year-old boy, John Nephew of Orangeville, Ontario, enjoyed one of his visits to the St. Anicet, Quebec, home of his aunt and uncle almost too much: "I didn't want to leave, so I set all the clocks back one hour in an attempt to miss the train. But I forgot about my aunt's wristwatch."



PART TWO:
THE DENTIST AS ARTIST

Dr. Racey's talent at drawing is not altogether surprising. His uncle, Arthur G. Racey (1870-1941) was a well-known Montreal newspaper cartoonist

As one of a group of dentists who planned the establishment of The Royal College of Dentists of Canada, Dr. Racey prepared sketches for the insignia which today appears on the official seal of the College.

When Gerald Racey retired to his country home at St. Anicet, on Lake St. François, he concentrated on other artistic talents, producing objects in wrought iron and wood. The house itself was his own creation. He built it in three sections: the first with the help of his own father many years ago, and the subsequent additions with the help of a St. Anicet friend.

His neighbour, Mr. Robert A. Walsh, BEng '66, observed this blending of dentistry and artisanry in the Racey home: "Clamped to the workbench in his workshop was his old dental drill which he used for particularly fine engraving."

PART THREE:
THE DENTIST AS PHILANTHROPIST

It was a former student of his and subsequent colleague at McGill, Dr. Kenneth C. Bentley, DDS'58, MD'62, who presented Dr. Racey for the rank of Emeritus Professor in 1976.

"He was the first McGill dental graduate to be sent away for post-graduate study and the first Canadian to pursue studies in the field of oral pathology," Professor Bentley stated on that occasion. He said Dr. Racey was a former President of the Canadian Dental Association who had also been made a Fellow of both the American College and the International College of Dentists.

Dr. Bentley's citation concluded: "As dentist, oral pathologist, teacher, guide to the perplexed and friend to all, Gerald Racey has won...a unique place in the annals of McGill University, by virtue of his lively mind, pleasant wit, generous heart and gifted artistic ability."

Dr. Racey died in 1996, having been predeceased by his wife, Phyllis, a member of the Women Associates of McGill. They had no children.

Some years earlier, he made a planned gift commitment in the form of a generous annuity to benefit the Faculty of Dentistry. In a Faculty Newsletter that referred to the gift, Dr. Racey was described as having been "a loyal backer of Dentistry for many, many years." Since his death, several additional contributions have been made to the fund in his memory.

PLANNED GIVING TO McGILL

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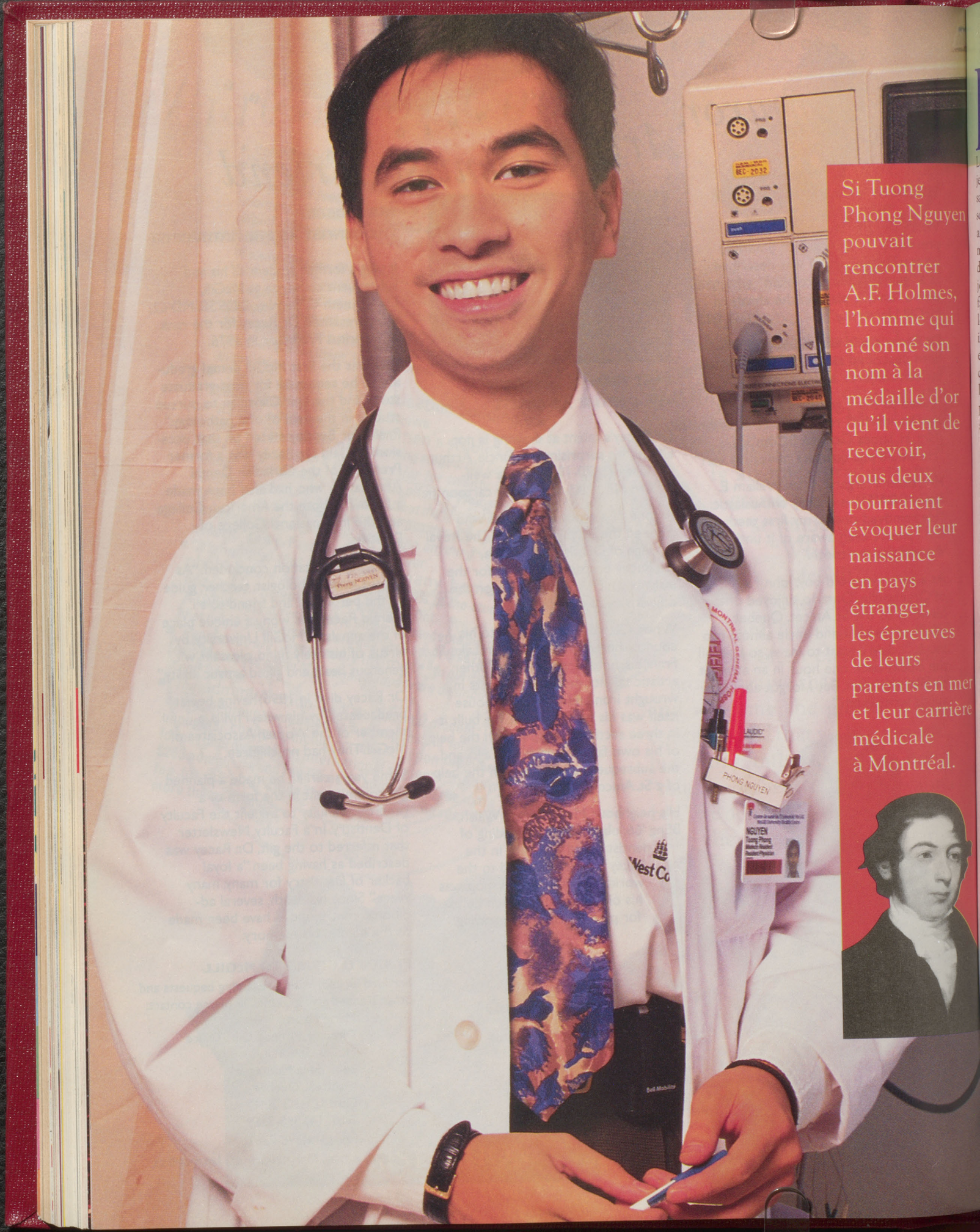
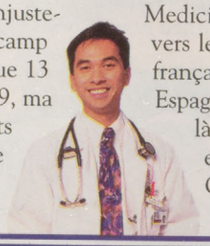


Si Tuong Phong Nguyen pouvait rencontrer A.F. Holmes, l'homme qui a donné son nom à la médaille d'or qu'il vient de recevoir, tous deux pourraient évoquer leur naissance en pays étranger, les épreuves de leurs parents en mer et leur carrière médicale à Montréal.

DR NGUYEN RENCONTRE DR HOLMES

par Geneviève Rodriguez



L'admission à la faculté de médecine de McGill est hautement sélective: seuls les meilleurs peuvent postuler et seuls les meilleurs d'entre tous sont choisis. L'un des volets essentiels de la demande d'admission est l'essai autobiographique que les candidats doivent rédiger. Le service des admissions les lit tous sans exception. Celui d'un jeune étudiant de 18 ans, Phong Nguyen, arrivé au Canada avec sa famille en1975 parmi les boat people vietnamiens a su retenir son attention. "En avril 1975, après l'arrivée des communistes au pouvoir, les membres de ma famille et moi-même, injustement accusés d'espionnage, avons été envoyés dans un camp de rééducation dans l'arrière-pays. Je n'y suis resté que 13 jours mais mon père y a passé 42 mois. . . En mai 1979, ma famille s'est enfuie avec les boat people en quête de droits légitimes et de liberté... au septième soir d'une traversée infernale, alors que le clair de lune éclairait la frêle embarcation, un cri douloureux a déchiré la nuit. Une mère pleurait la mort de son enfant, emporté par une banale diarrhée. Pas de médicaments! Pas de médecin! Pour moi, ému par cette scène affligeante, la profession de médecin venait de prendre un sens profond. Je venais de découvrir le fragile équilibre de la vie."

La mère de Phong, Ly Phuong, avait fait des études de doctorat et son père, Trieu Nguyen, était principal d'une école secondaire lorsqu'ils se sont enfuis en Malaysia sur un bateau surchargé avec leurs deux jeunes fils, Phong et Nam. Pendant le voyage, des pirates ont attaqué le bateau, volé les alliances de Nguyen et Phuong ainsi que leur argent. Le jeune Phong avait 7 ans. "C'était effrayant et l'un des épisodes les plus marquants de mon existence", évoque-t-il. "Mais nous avons eu plus de chance que d'autres boat people; personne n'a été tué, personne n'a été violé."

La famille de Phong passe deux mois dans un camp de réfugiés avant d'arriver au Canada. Elle choisit Montréal parce que les parents parlent un peu français, et ne connaissent pas du tout l'anglais. "Mes parents étaient en état de choc, ils s'étaient mis en pilote automatique", se souvient Phong. Ses parents ouvrent un dépanneur au 1890 de la rue St-Zotique, dans le quartier d'Ahuntsic à Montréal et entreprennent de rebâtir leur existence avec l'aide d'autre familles vietnamiennes du quartier. Très vite, les deux garçons excellent à l'école. Phong est premier de sa promotion, tant à l'école secondaire qu'au cégep, et remporte le prix Eugène-Doucet ainsi que la médaille de bronze du Gouverneur du Canada.

L'admission à la faculté de médecine de McGill devient alors possible même si Phong pense qu'il ne parle pas suffisamment bien l'anglais et que cela risque de lui jouer des tours à l'entrevue. Mais le comité des admissions passe outre et ne le regrettera pas. Phong remporte une série de distinctions pendant ses études, dont, chaque année, la bourse J.W. McConnell et le prix Harry S. Gros de chirurgie. Il termine ses études avec l'honneur suprême, la médaille d'or Holmes qui est attribuée à l'étudiant qui a obtenu les meilleures notes pendant ses quatre années de médecine.

La médaille d'or Holmes a été créée en hommage au docteur Andrew Fernando Holmes, qui a fondé la faculté de médecine de McGill en 1823 et en est devenu le premier doyen. Les épreuves en mer ne sont pas étrangères à Holmes. Les guerres napoléoniennes ont durement éprouvé sa famille. Comme Joseph Hanaway et Richard Cruess le relatent dans McGill Medicine (1995), "les parents de Holmes étaient en route vers le Canada lorsqu'ils ont été capturés par une frégate française à la fin des années 1790 puis emmenés à Cadiz en Espagne où ils ont été faits prisonniers jusqu'en 1801. C'est là qu'est né Andrew Fernando en 1797." La famille s'est ensuite installée à Montréal; Andrew avait alors 4ans. Celui-ci est allé faire ses études de médecine en Europe et a obtenu son diplôme à l'Université d'Édimbourg. Ce n'est qu'après qu'il est revenu fonder la faculté de médecine de McGill. La médaille d'or Holmes est décernée chaque année depuis 1865.

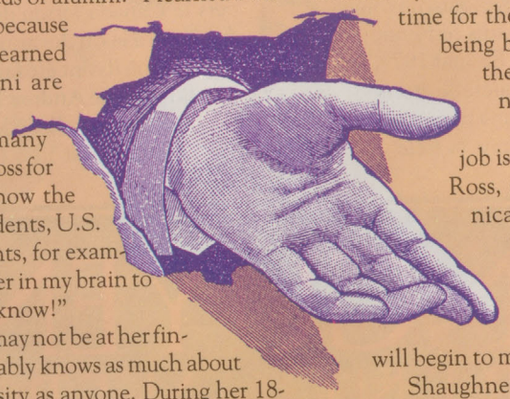
Suivant la même trajectoire que Holmes, Phong Nguyen a décidé de faire carrière à Montréal. Il est pour l'heure résident à l'Hôpital général de Montréal en médecine interne et espère devenir cardiologue. Son frère Nam est en troisième année de médecine. Finir premier de sa promotion à la faculté de médecine de McGill n'a pas que des privilèges. En dépit d'un horaire extrêmement chargé, Phong et Nam vivent chez leurs parents et travaillent les fins de semaine dans le magasin familial. "Nous aidons nos parents", explique Phong. Et comme beaucoup de jeunes diplômés aujourd'hui, le docteur Tuoung Phong Nguyen, MD'95, lauréat de la médaille d'or Holmes, se demande s'il va trouver un emploi. "Il est très difficile de trouver un emploi à Montréal, certains disent que c'est pratiquement impossible", déclare Phong. Il n'a toutefois pas envie d'aller tenter sa chance dans d'autres provinces ou aux États-Unis. "Ici j'ai mes amis et ma communauté", explique-t-il.

Synopsis. Phong Nguyen was the top medical student at McGill in 1996, winning the Holmes Medal for the student with the highest overall marks in medical school. Phong first caught the attention of the McGill Medical Faculty with his entrance essay detailing how his family came to Montreal in 1975 as Vietnamese boat people. While fleeing Vietnam, the young Phong witnessed the death of a baby from disease. 'No medicine! No doctors!' he wrote when recalling the experience. Now 25, Phong Nguyen, MD'96, is a resident in internal medicine at the Montreal General Hospital. But lest one think graduating at the top of medical school accords special privileges, Phong still works in his parents' depanneur on weekends with his medical student brother, Nam. And like many graduating students, Phong worries about getting a job in Montreal, where he hopes to stay and practice.

Heeerrre's

by Diana Grier Ayton

Honora Shaughnessy wants to meet you. The new Executive Director of Alumni Relations is a woman with a mission. "I want to be able to meet as many of our alumni as possible. Travelling to branches and talking to people about McGill is one of the things that most attracted me to this job." Shaughness had to hit the ground running. She took up her new post last September, just before Homecoming Weekend, and found herself greeting hundreds of alumni. "I learned how exhausting these things can be because you're 'on' all the time. I also learned how intensely interested alumni are in what's happening at McGill.



"I hadn't anticipated the many questions, and I found myself at a loss for answers several times. I didn't know the exact enrolment of Canadian students, U.S. students and international students, for example. I felt I needed a mini-computer in my brain to remember all the things I should know!"

While all the facts and figures may not be at her fingertips just yet, Shaughnessy probably knows as much about the inner workings of the University as anyone. During her 18-year McGill career, she has worked in the library, as executive assistant to principals David Johnston and Bernard Shapiro, and as both Employment Equity Coordinator and Director of the Equity Office. She has served on countless committees including those dealing with student recruitment, educational equity, employment equity, admissions, race relations and academic policies.

Kate Williams, Director of University Relations, has seen Shaughnessy in action. They worked together on the Senate/Board Committee on Equity and, more recently, on the committee which organized last November's 175th Gala Concert for the Faculty of Music. According to Williams, her colleague possesses important, if paradoxical, skills for getting things done. "Honora is very energetic, almost to the point of being impatient. She is a take-charge kind of person, somebody who likes to find solutions . . ."

A Montreal native, Shaughnessy is one of six children. She completed a history degree at Loyola in 1971 before coming to McGill for a master's degree in library science. She worked in libraries at the University of Calgary and at Statistics Canada, before returning to Montreal and McGill in 1978. Yet her McGill roots date back much further. Her grandfather, the legendary Frank Shaughnessy Sr., coached McGill football for 17 seasons (1912-29), winning more games than any other football coach. The Shaughnessy Cup event is named for him. Her mother, Katherine Kelly, BA'37, is due to celebrate her 60th reunion this year.

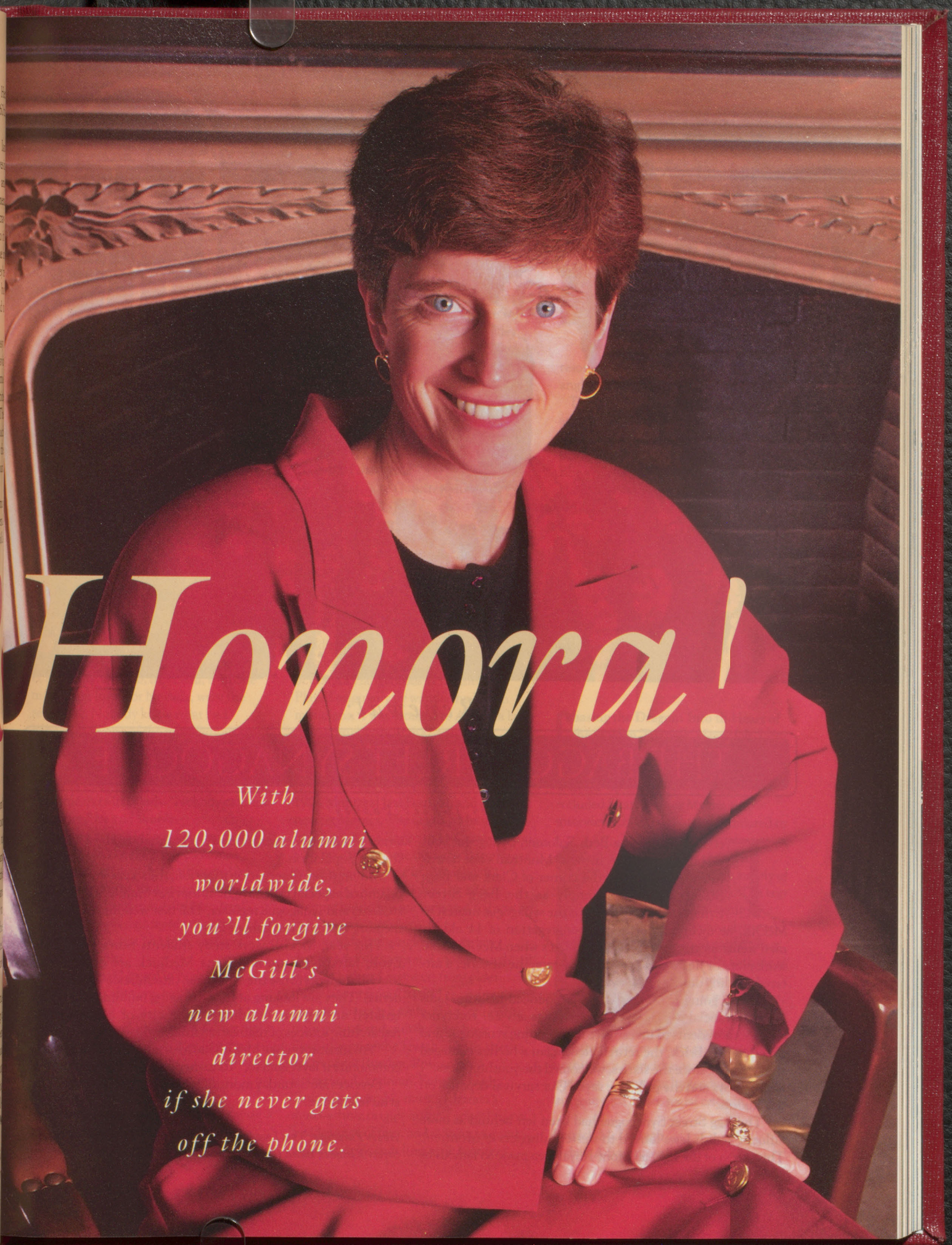
Shaughnessy, 47, is married to McGill graduate Ian Chapman, BA'70, BCL'75, a lawyer with SNC Lavalin, and lives in Montreal West with her son Tayler, 6, daughter Katie, 8, and stepdaughter Isabelle, 15. Her new job has meant an adjustment for the family. "The younger children were not used to my travelling. The hours are longer here and there is more travel so it's been an adjustment for all of us. I don't often make it home in time for the kids' supper. Sometimes I think they're being brought up on synthetic everything – but they're healthy and we're all getting used to new schedules."

With a shrinking budget, Shaughnessy's job is larger than that of her predecessor, Gavin Ross, as she also has responsbility for communications and fundraising (her official title says "Alumni / Advancement"). The Alumni Association will work much more closely with fundraisers, and the Alumni Association and Annual Fund will begin to merge operations.

Shaughnessy says she recognizes that alumni may have some concerns. "It's a delicate balance between friend-raising and fundraising. What we're about is relationship building. Other things can – but may not – lead from there. We don't want to be seen only as a group of people who knock on the door and ask for money. We're there to encourage our alumni to enjoy association with other alumni and to participate in any events." Indeed, the McGill Alumni Association supports the efforts of 90 worldwide branches, and McGill alumni are exceedingly generous. They give at least $3 million a year to the Alma Mater Fund, plus millions more in bequests. In the recent campaign, McGill alumni gave $50 million and worked as volunteers to bring in donations from foundations and corporations.

Now, McGill will also ask alumni to encourage top students to come to McGill. "In key regions we want to develop a program where our alumni can phone students who've been accepted at McGill and say, 'I know you've received an acceptance. I think McGill is great. Is there some way I can help you make your decision?'" Shaughnessy notes. The initiative will help ensure a steady stream of top students to McGill – and, eventually, more top alumni for Shaughnessy to meet.

Diana Grier Ayton is editor of the McGill Reporter, the McGill faculty and staff newspaper



Honora!

With 120,000 alumni worldwide, you'll forgive McGill's new alumni director if she never gets off the phone.

Renewal:

THE BAGG STREET SYNAGOGUE

by Janice Paskey

Technically, it's the Beth Solomon Synagogue, but no one calls it that. Instead, Montreal's last downtown synagogue, at the corner of Clark and Bagg Streets, is known simply as the Bagg Street Synagogue. Although it is the synagogue nearest to McGill, the dwindling orthodox congregation of 11 elderly men went unnoticed until last year. That's when McGill social work professor Jim Torczyner stumbled upon the historic, if tattered, building during an afternoon walk.

"This is going to be a project," announced his wife, Jadis Norman, a social worker. Heeding her sage advice, Torczyner asked some students to investigate by attending synagogue and observing. Joe Brick, the retired electrician who has managed the synagogue since the sixties, welcomed the youthful faces. "I love the boys and the girls," he says. "Our survival depends on the students."

The Bagg Street Synagogue had been left behind as more affluent English Jews moved to western districts of Montreal. This section of the Plateau Mont-Royal area made so famous by writer Mordecai Richler is now largely inhabited by a transient student population.

Moving from observation to action, the social work students organized a special Friday night dinner last March that drew 100 students and synagogue regulars. The first wedding in anyone's memory was held last Labour Day.

This year, McGill work-study students Shira Fine, Hirut Eyob, Jared Isaacson and Bena Medjuck are encouraging McGill students to use the synagogue (attendance is free for students). They are looking at how the aging building can be designated an historic building by the city of Montreal and researching sources of renovation funds.

"An institution like McGill has a social responsibility to the community it lays claim to," Torczyner declares. Few could argue.

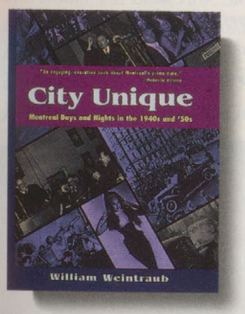
Services are Saturday morning at 9 am, 3919 Clark St. There is no telephone.

Above Painting: Yves Landry. This image was created for the Bagg Street Klezmer Band (see music review on page 29).

Halcyon Days and Klezmer Nights

City Unique: Montreal Days and Nights in the 1940s and '50s, *McClelland and Stewart*, 1996, $32.50, by William Weintraub, BA'47.

Several years ago, when the Quebec government was considering the establishment of casinos in Montreal, it occurred to me that as a city councillor, I should seek the counsel of Harry Shipp. Who better to advise than the legendary Shipp, once North America's greatest gambler, proprietor of the two most successful but illegal casinos in Montreal in the '40s and '50s, owner of the Chez Paree where he employed the likes of Frank Sinatra, Martin & Lewis.



Where's Harry Shipp? I asked cops and lawyers, old time journalists and relics of the old St. Urbain St. Jewish community. Dunno, he's dead, think he moved to Florida or Nevada, were the responses. Nobody knew what had happened to one of the most famous city names of the Camillien Houde era.

So, one afternoon, sitting in a quiet bar, I called 411 and found Shipp just like that. He came over in a flash. "Nobody calls me any more," he said simply.

Growing up in Montreal during that period, I always heard Shipp's name mentioned in awe, a bit, I suppose, like Capone's name in another era and town, but without the menace, for Montreal's wide, wide open days were not particularly violent, just benignly corrupt and full of winks.

Is it true what I heard in high school, I asked Shipp, that you bet $1 million a week?

Well, he said, on a weekend, I'd bet eight or nine baseball games. Never less than $100,000 a game.

And the horses? For he also ran Montreal's biggest bookmaking operations. Sometimes 25 horses a day at different tracks across the continent. Usually $10,000 a horse.

Bill Weintraub's book recounts that halcyon era, a Montreal seemingly lost in a past rewritten by Quebec nationalists to exclude its vibrant, cosmopolitan, bilingual character. If English Montreal doesn't know our stories, our mythologies, we don't know who we are or where we came from. Weintraub's book provides more than colour and wonderful anecdote, history and background; it also gives us a sense of ourselves. It's a fun read, but more important, helps reinforce a sense of identity that sometimes appears to be badly eroded.

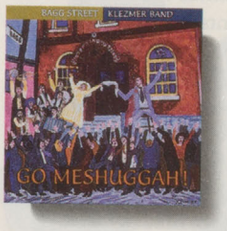
Nick Auf der Maur
Columnist, *The Gazette*, Montreal

Go Meshuggah! *Bagg Street Productions*, 1996, $18.95 CD, $11.95 cassette. The Bagg Street Klezmer Band.

Klezmer, from the Hebrew word for musical instrument, is a cosmopolitan style of traditional eastern European wedding and celebration music. Full of colour and contrast, it can be melancholy or ecstatic, languorous or frenzied. Played originally by wandering Jewish musicians, it was brought to America by immigrants early in the century.

A klezmer revival has been going on for some years, as evidenced by a recent PBS special, a week of klezmer music at the 1994 Montreal Jazz Festival, and stacks of new recordings. The leading Montreal exponent is the Bagg Street Klezmer Band, who take their name from the Bagg Street synagogue. The title of this debut CD means Go Crazy! which is the effect klezmer musicians are supposed to have on party guests.

Alongside the sprightly minor key dances are folk songs and processionals, all learned by band members from older musicians or from 78 RPM recordings. Because klezmer has absorbed influences from gypsies and gentiles who have lived alongside the Jewish people, there are traces of Russian, Romanian, Bulgarian, Ukrainian, Polish, Greek, Turkish and Arabic music. Klezmer's multi-ethnic origins make it appealing to a wide range of fans, and as instrumental music it transcends linguistic barriers.



Add in its sorrow and joy, exotic charm and tremendous energy, and it is easy to see why it is gaining popularity, striking a resonant chord with francophones and anglophones alike.

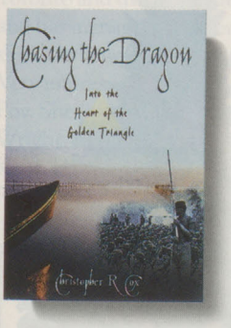
Three of the seven Bagg Street members are McGill alumni: leader and clarinetist Rick Goldman, BCL'84, BA'85, LLB'86; pianist Stephen Errington, BSc'86, BEng'89; and drummer and percussionist Harle Thomas, BA'94, MSW'95.

A lot of heart, soul and care went into this excellent set of music, appropriate for any gathering where emotions are felt – and you want to dance.

Craig Morrison
Bandleader, *Craig Morrison and the Momentz*
Instructor, McGill Centre for Continuing Education

Chasing the Dragon: Into the Heart of the Golden Triangle, *Henry Holt*, 1996, $38.50, by Christopher R. Cox, MA'82.

In 1994, Christopher Cox, a reporter with the *Boston Herald*, journeyed to the secluded Shan State of Myanmar to interview Khun Sa, a warlord rumoured to control one-third of the world's supply of heroin. The trip takes him through a world defined by four rules: nothing is free, nothing is what it seems, nothing ever goes as planned, and, for the increasingly suspicious writer, nothing is a coincidence. Cox's tale is gripping, combining high adventure and intrigue with astute social criticism.



Patrick McDonagh
Urban Adventurer

Branch Ingenuity

Branches continue to come up with original events, with New York setting the pace with its creativity. Anton Angelich, president of the New York branch, organized this year's French culinary evening for 40 ebullient alumni, as well as a Hallowe'en walking tour in Brooklyn's Greenwood Cemetery, final home of many of New York's finest gangsters, which was well attended by alumni, dead and alive. A list of McGill branch leaders can be found on the Worldwide Web at http://www.mcgill.ca/alumni.

Meanwhile, McGill academics are hitting the road to share their expertise. Jacqueline Reid-Walsh, PhD'89, Faculty of Education, spoke to a sellout crowd in Ottawa on the novels of Jane Austen. Also in the nation's capital, Doug Watt, BSc'65, MSc'69, PhD'74, Director of McGill's Aerospace Medical Institute, elaborated on McGill's contribution to space research and his own studies on motion sickness in space.

In Toronto, John Cleghorn, who spearheaded the Twenty First Century Campaign, addressed a full house at the Winter Luncheon cosponsored by friends of McGill Football and the Alumni Association.

Editor's Note: In the last issue, we incorrectly identifed William Gibson, MD'41, as having a Dip (Tropical Medicine)'48; in fact, he holds a Dip (Neurology)'48. Our apologies.

Knowledge in Knowlton. *The sun shone upon the annual August event when Desmond Morton, Director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada, spoke to a full house at the Knowlton Golf & Country Club – drinks were supped outdoors, with dinner après. Left to right: Peter Walsh, BA'52, BCL'55, Honora Shaughnessy, MLS'73, CertProf(French)'94, Marna Tucker, BSc'39, Desmond Morton, Gael Eakin, BA'61, Warren Woodworth, BCom'54*

Atlanta: Fly Away with You. *Heidi Allardyce, BA'79, led McGill snowbird-lovers to the August 17 Anne Murray concert in Chastain Park. Dr. Ed Powers, BSc'66, MD'68, assists Heidi in hoisting the flag*

(Above) Sidney: James Down Under. *Craig and Lesley Sweeney, BA'90, in high spirits at the McGill 175th Anniversary Dinner on August 20, in Sidney, Australia, starring Cellier James McGill*

(Left) Oakville/Halton/Wentworth: Santa's little helpers. *Paul Marchand, BCom'72, and daughter Samantha organized an alumni outing to the Nutcracker Suite, December 7. More than 100 responded to the call of the Sugar Plum Fairies*

***Philadelphia**: Dean of Medicine Abraham Fuks gave his prognosis of McGill Medicine on November 14. Back row: Sam Deitcher, BA'51, MA'53; Dr. Michael Grunstein, BSc'67, MSc'72, PhD'74; Dr. Richard Long, MD'76; Dr. Abraham Fuks, BSc'68, MD'70; Philadelphia alumni branch leader Dr. Samuel Tirer, BSc'72, MD'76; Dr. Ierachmeil Daskal, BSc'67, PhD'71; Dr. Roger Mendoza, PhD'94. Front row: April Nowell, BA'91; Judi Grunstein; Margot Tirer*

***New York**: Kevin Drummond, Quebec Delegate-General to New York, Amanda Borella, BA'95, Dr. Lloyd Markson, DDS'37, and Derek Drummond, BArch'62, McGill VP, Development and Alumni Relations, at the branch holiday party at Quebec House*

***Vancouver: Smoked meat and bagels!** Hungry alumni were treated to a Montreal-style buffet and to guest speaker Richard Pound, International Olympic Committee Vice-President, who spoke on "McGill, the Olympics, and Athletics" on October 17. Karen Diaz, BEd'82, MEd'92, Alumni Relations Officer; Bryan Haynes, BA'90, LLB'93; Richard Pound, BCom'62, BCL'67; Ralph Bischoff, BEng'77; Suresh Fernando, BSc'88; Nancy Mudford, BA'90*

***Perfect for Cucumber Sandwiches.** Vivienne Poy and Dr. Neville Poy, with a silver tray recognizing her donation for the Vivienne Poy scholarships*

New Governor Brings Style

Vivienne Poy, BA'62, one of Canada's most successful and innovative fashion designers, is the newest Alumni Association representative to the McGill University Board of Governors. She is a noted philanthropist and, by all evidence, an expert in time management: while running Vivienne Poy Enterprises (which oversees Vivienne Poy Mode and Vivienne Poy Beauty Effects), she has also served as a Director for the Bank of East Asia (Canada), the Art Gallery of Ontario, and the Canadian Stage Company. She is an Honorary Advisor to the Chinese Cultural Center of Greater Toronto and the Mon Sheong Foundation, and has managed banquets and fashion shows to benefit the Kidney Foundation. Very impressive! Welcome aboard, Ms. Poy. She joins alumni representatives Jim Wright, BA'65, David Cohen, BA'52, Keith Ham, BA'54, BCL'59, and Dr. Robert Faith, BA'53, DDS'58.

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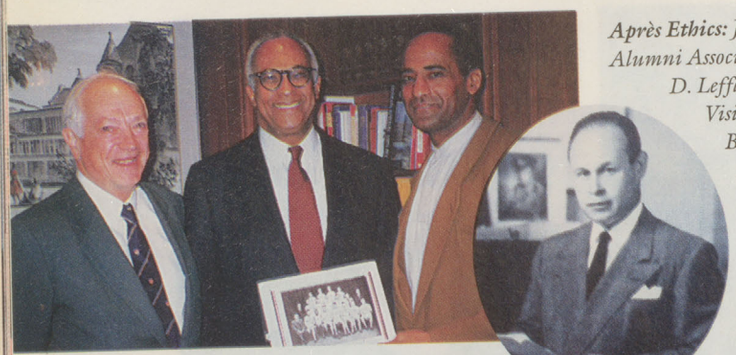

Après Ethics: James Robb, BA'51, BCL'54, Alumni Association President, Dr. LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr., the Charles R. Drew Visiting Professor, and Dennis Barrett, coach of McGill's track and cross-country teams, recall Charles Drew's athletic career
Inset: Dr. Charles R. Drew

Inaugural Charles R. Drew Visiting Professorship

One of McGill's most famous American graduates, Charles Drew, MD'33, was honoured by the Faculty of Medicine with a new visiting professorship. Drew came to McGill in 1929 to study medicine after racism kept him out of American medical schools. After graduation, he worked as a resident and intern at McGill teaching hospitals and pioneered methods of storing blood for transfusions. He was also an exceptional athlete, and captain of McGill's track team in 1931.

Dr. Drew eventually returned to the U.S., where he discovered that blood plasma, a clear fluid without red blood cells, could be stored much longer than blood and could be given to anyone regardless of blood type. In September 1940, he organized and led the Blood for Britain project that supplied plasma to troops in World War II, and fought against the segregation of blood from white and black donors. He died tragically in a car accident at the age of 45.

To initiate the visiting professorship, Dr. LaSalle D. Leffall, Jr., president of the American College of Surgeons and the Charles R. Drew Professor of Surgery at Howard University in Washington, spoke on "Ethics in the Practice of Medicine." After the presentation, sponsored by Medicine and the McGill Alumni Association, the party moved to Martlet House, where participants were met by generous tables of refreshments. The next day Dr. Leffall spoke on "Evolution in the Management of Breast Cancer" at the Royal Victoria.

Dobson-Mania!

The paparazzi were out to catch John Dobson, BCom'49, receiving an honorary doctorate at the convocation on October 29 in recognition of his career and contributions to McGill. The entrepreneurial alumnus, who also has an MBA from Harvard, founded the Formula Growth Fund investment company in 1960, but hasn't found time to rest on any of his laurels. The John Dobson Foundation, which he formed in 1986, sponsors countless philanthropic enterprises, including the Dobson Centre for Entrepreneurial Studies at McGill's Faculty of Management. The newly minted Dr. Dobson was nominated for the degree by the McGill Alumni Association.

Making it official: *John Dobson, BCom'49, LLD'96, signs the Honorary Degree Registry, while University Chancellor Gretta Chambers, BA'47, checks his spelling*

COMING EVENTS

- **April 4, Boston:** Friday Evening at the Movies. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **April 6, Boston:** Afternoon on the Internet. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **April 9, Quebec City:** Jazz concert. Contact Andrea Parent (418) 682-8862.
- **April 10, Chicago:** "The Presidents' Wives." Guest speaker Professor Gill Troy, Department of History. Contact Glenn Casbourne (847) 934-7933.
- **April 10, Kingston:** Guest speaker Professor Desmond Morton, Director, McGill Institute for the Study of Canada. Contact George Wright (613) 546-2170.
- **April 12, Montreal:** Education and Athletics: "Breakfast of Champions," Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium/Tomlinson Hall, 475 Pine Ave., Price TBA, 9:00 a.m. Contact 398-5000.
- **April 13, Los Angeles:** Guests Derek Drummond, Vice-Principal (Development & Alumni Relations) and Jane Lalonde, Director, Major Gifts. Contact Phyllis Fasola (818) 883-6841.
- **April 15, Montreal:** "Aislin Speaks," with Terry Mosher, The Gazette's political cartoonist. Contact 398-5000.
- **April 17, Vancouver:** Guests Professor Stephen Toope, Dean, Faculty of Law, and Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, Alumni Relations and Advancement. Contact Bryan Haynes (604) 631-9101.
- **April 17, Washington:** "The Presidents' Wives." Guest speaker Professor Gill Troy, Department of History. Guest Karen Diaz, Alumni Relations Officer. Contact Steven Richards (703) 556-8765.
- **April 18, Victoria:** Guest Professor Stephen Toope, Dean, Faculty of Law, and Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, Alumni Relations and Advancement. Contact Norman Goodwin (604) 595-0757.
- **April 18, Washington:** All-Canadian Western Bar-B-Q Round-up and square dance. Guest Karen Diaz, Alumni Relations Officer. Contact Karen Diaz (514) 398-3008.
- **April 20, New York:** Earth Day Clean-up. Contact Anton Angelich (718) 549-4604.
- **April 20, Boston:** Earth Day Clean-up. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **April 22, Boston:** French Conversation Group. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **April 30, Halifax:** Guests Professor Carman Miller, Dean, Faculty of Arts; Dr. Deborah Buszard, Dean, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences; and Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, Alumni Relations and Advancement. Contact Robert Flinn (902) 423-1790.
- **May 1, Charlottetown, PEI:** Guests Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, McGill Alumni Relations and Advancement, and Deborah Buszard, Dean, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. Contact Robert Midgley (902) 894-9882.

THE '30S

Stuart M. Chapman, BEng'36, was awarded the John S. Bates Memorial Gold Medal by the Canada Pulp and Paper Association. He developed the Chapman Smoothness Tester and the PPRIC dirt counter. In 1976, he retired as Assistant to the Director, Technical Services, Paprican, after 39 years of service.

E. Bower Carty, BCom'39, was granted an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Carleton University in recognition of a distinguished contribution to Canada as a long-standing Public Servant and philanthropist.

THE '40S

Harold S. Robinson, MD'42, was named a Master of the American College of Rheumatology in Orlando, October 1996.

Dr. Victor Goldbloom, BSc'44, MD'45, DipEd'50, DLitt'92, Canada's Official Languages Commissioner, received a fifth honorary doctorate in May 1996 from the Université Sainte-Anne at Church Point (Pointe de l'Église), Nova Scotia. He also received the 1996 James H. Graham Award of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and was back on the McGill campus as an honorary co-chairperson of McGill's 175th Anniversary Celebration.

William Feindel, MD'45, DSc'84, Professor of Neurosurgery at McGill, recently completed a five-year term as Chancellor of Acadia University, Nova Scotia. In November he was named Honorary Osler Librarian by the Board of Curators of the Osler Library of the History of Medicine. He continues as Honorary President of the Medical Students' Osler Society of McGill.

Sheila Finestone, BSc'47, was the recipient of a "Women of Distinction" award at the 35th national convention of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO in Toronto, November 1996.

D. Ian Glen, BCom'47, was appointed Deputy Secretary to the Cabinet (operations), Privy Council Office, in December 1994. He sat on the panel of judges for the 1996 Canadian Foreign Service Officer Awards.

Leonard R.N. Ashley, BA'49, MA'50, Professor Emeritus of Brooklyn College of the City University of New York, retired in 1995 and thus has had time to publish more books. Some of his recent publications are *The Complete Book of Superstition, Prophecy, and Luck* (1995), *The Complete Book of Magic and Witchcraft* (1995), *The Complete Book of Devils and Demons* (1996), and *The Complete Book of the Devil's Disciples* (1996). Scheduled for Spring 1997 publication is what he calls the "cookbook of the series," *The Complete Book of Spells, Curses, and Magical Recipes*.

Robert L. Baird, BEng'49, received an MA in history from Concordia University. He is co-author, with Giselle Hall, of *The History of the City of Beaconsfield*.

Mortimer Mishkin, MA'49, PhD'51, Chief of the Laboratory of Neuropsychology and Associate Director of the Intramural Research Program at the National Institutes of Mental Health, was presented with the Karl Spencer Lashley Award, given by the American Philosophical Society in Philadelphia, in recognition of his "pioneering analysis of memory and the perceptual systems of the brain" and for his "seminal contributions to the understanding of the higher nervous system function." Mishkin shared the award with Patricia Goldman-Rakic, Professor of Neuroscience at Yale.

THE '50S

Edgar Bronfman, BA'51, was awarded the Rebecca Sieff Award at the 35th national convention of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO in Toronto, November 1996.

Thomas Millar, MD'51, published *The Myth of Attention Deficit Disorder* (Palmer Press, Vancouver) cautioning about the use of Ritalin.

Alfred Powis, BCom'51, is a Director of Noranda Inc., Brascan Limited, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Denison Mines Limited, Eden Roc Mineral Corporation, Power Resources Inc., Ford Motor Company of Canada Limited, Noranda Forest Inc., Norcen Energy Resources Ltd., Sears Canada Inc., Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, and a number of subsidiaries within the Noranda Group of Companies.

Marilyn (Lapedis) Berger, BA'52, MLS'83, has been named Acting Head of the Blackader-Lauterman Library of Architecture and Art at McGill. She compiled an extensive bibliography of Moshe Safdie's buildings and projects for the McGill-Queen's publication, *Moshe Safdie: Buildings and Projects 1967-1992*.

Myer Horowitz, DipEd'52, LLD'79, is a member of the Celanese Canada Internationalist Council. He is Professor Emeritus of Education and former President of the University of Alberta. The Celanese Council has created 100 scholarships allowing Canadians to study abroad.

George Siber, MD'52, was appointed to the position of Vice-President/Chief Scientific Officer for Wyeth-Lederle Vaccines and Pediatrics at the Pearl River, New York, research facility. He was formerly director of Massachussetts Public Health Biologic Laboratories and Associate Professor of Medicine at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and at Harvard Medical School.

Sheila Kussner, BA'53, LLD'90, received a "Women of Distinction" Award at the 35th national convention of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO in Toronto, November 1996. She is the founder of Hope and Cope, a support program for cancer patients and their families in Montreal.

Douglas B. Floreani, BEng'54, retired from his position as Director, Engineering and Environment, of the City of St. Laurent on Feb. 1, 1997.

Brian Macdonald, BA'54, was appointed Senior Artistic Adviser to the National Arts Centre in Ottawa. He is a choreographer and director of the dance program at the Banff Centre for the Arts. He was previously Director of Musicals at the Stratford Festival in Stratford, Ont.

George D. Zames, BEng'54, Macdonald Professor of Electrical Engineering at McGill, was awarded the Rufus Oldenburger Medal of ASME International (American Society of Mechanical Engineers), November 1996 in Atlanta. The award recognizes his pioneering work on the input-output stability theory for non-linear systems, including the small-gain theorem, the circle criteria and positivity conditions for stability, and for inventing the H theory of feedback optimization.

Donald D. Betts, PhD'55, was the first recipient of the Peter Kirkby Medal for outstanding service to physics in Canada, awarded by the Canadian Association of Physicists, June 1996. He is Professor Emeritus and Research Professor in the department of physics at Dalhousie University. He has been editor of the *Canadian Journal of Physics* since April 1982, and since 1994 he has also been science editor of Royal Society of Canada publications.

Rosemary Brown, BA'55, the first black woman to be elected to provincial office in Canada, was awarded the Order of Canada in Ottawa in November 1996. She served 14 years as a member of the British Columbia legislature.

Blema Steinberg, BA'55, PhD'61, Associate Professor of Political Science at McGill, was promoted to Full Professor. Her recent book, *Shame and Humiliation: Presidential Decision-Making on Vietnam* (McGill-Queen's University Press, 1996), received the 1996 QSPELL Award for "Best First Book."

William James, PhD'57, left his position as Chief Executive of Denison Mines Inc. in

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Also scheduled for 1997: Alumni Campus Abroad: Ireland, October 7 to 15, Trans-Panama Canal, October 30 to November 14, Wings Over the Okavango Safari (Africa), October 31 to November 14.

Prices are quoted in Canadian dollars, per person, based on double occupancy, and are subject to change. Single supplements are available for certain trips.

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order to take on a new challenge at Inmet Mining Corp. where he will be President and Chief Executive.

Morris Shor, BCom'57, is a financial adviser in Montreal. He recently travelled to India to visit his daughter and ended up staying almost six months instead of the one month he had intended. He enjoyed the more relaxed pace of the Indian lifestyle.

Stanley H. Hartt, BA'58, MA'61, BCL'63, was appointed Chairman of Salomon Brothers Canada Inc. He was previously Deputy Minister of Finance and Chief of Staff to then-Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

Ben Zion Dalfen, BA'59, of the McGill School of Social Work, is running a two-year, $140,000 research project that will test his theories of retraining and conditioning people who have difficulty finding or keeping jobs, specifically, intellectually handicapped adults.

André J. Galipeault, BCL'59, was appointed to the Board of Governors of the Canadian Centre for Management Development by Prime Minister Jean Chretien in September. Mr. Galipeault is President of the Institute of Corporate Directors. He was previously President of Fasken Martineau Davis. Prior to that he spent 26 years with Texaco Canada as Vice-President and General Counsel.

THE '60S

H. Dean Journeaux, BEng'60, has been appointed President of Met-Chem Canada Inc., based in Montreal. Met-Chem is an international engineering firm specializing in mining, metallurgy and industrial projects.

George Kubanek, BEng'61, PhD'66, Director of Forest Technologies at the Noranda Technology Centre in Pointe Claire, Que., was awarded the Noranda Award for Individual Achievement in Technology. He initiated the research and development effort in forest products.

Henry Mintzberg, BEng'61, was named to the John Cleghorn Chair in Management Studies at a private dinner reception held by McGill's Faculty of Management. In December 1996, he was awarded the Prix de Québec for his research in management theory.

E. D. Monaghan, MSc'61, DipSurg'63, has been elected President of the Canadian Association of General Surgeons.

Hershey Warshawsky, MSc'61, PhD'66, is a professor of anatomy and cell biology in the Faculty of Medicine at McGill. He received an Honorary Fellowship in the Royal College of Dentists of Canada in September.

Guy Gougeon, BEng'62, was appointed President and CEO of TV5 Quebec Canada. He is based in Montreal and will be responsible for the development and management of TV5 Quebec Canada, TV5 Latin America and the Caribbean, and for the new U.S. network, recently announced at the XIth conference of the ministers responsible for TV5.

Herbert Inhaber, BSc'62, a Principal Scientist at Westinghouse Savannah River Co. in South Carolina, had a fifth book, *How Rich is too Rich?* published by Praeger. The *Atlanta Journal* described the book as a "sane discussion of a subject that typically degenerates into a hostile rhetoric, whether to the left or right."

James D. Sullivan, MD'62, MSc'67, an orthopaedic surgeon in Montreal, is President of the Montreal Medical Chirurgical Society (Med-Chi) for 1996-1998. The Med-Chi, established in 1841, is the oldest medical society in North America and has been associated with McGill since its outset. He teaches both graduates and undergraduates at McGill.

Richard M. Wise, BCom'62, has been elected Treasurer of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. He has also been elected to the Board of Directors of the Cancer Research Society Inc.

Suzanne (Green) Dern, DipNursT&S'63, wrote the *Dyslexic Spel-Wel Dictionary*.

Adam Symansky, BSc'63, was one of the producers of a National Film Board documentary entitled *Referendum Take 2 ... Prise 2*. The film is a montage of images and conversation clips from the weeks preceding the October 30 referendum vote, and was produced by a team of 23 English and French filmmakers.

Meriel V.M. Bradford, BA'65, is Vice-President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, at Teleglobe Inc. She sat on the panel of judges for the 1996 Foreign Service Officer Awards.

Charles Hill, BA'66, Curator of Canadian Art at the National Gallery of Canada, is author of *The Group of Seven: Art for a Nation*, published by McClelland and Stewart and the National Gallery of Canada.

Peter Howlett, BCL'66, is President of the Portage Foundation, Canada's largest privately run residential drug rehabilitation program. The foundation treats about 3,000 patients a year at its centres in Quebec, Ontario and New Brunswick.

Eric Walter, BEng'66, was named to the OUAA Football Legends Hall of Fame in November 1996. The induction honours his achievements as a football player, including finishing in the top three in OUAA scoring in 1962, '64, '68 and '69, ranking second in touchdowns in OUAA history, and being named League MVP in 1964.

Dr. William Klein, DDS'67, was elected President of Congregation Or Shalom, London, Ontario's conservative synagogue. In June he was Chairman and Master of Ceremonies for the London Jewish National Fund Negev Dinner, "A Tribute to Survival," honouring the 43 living Holocaust survivors who made London their home after the war.

Arun Mujumdar, MEng'67, PhD'71, lectured in Indonesia under a World Bank project in August 1996. He visited several R&D laboratories in India under the United Nations Development Program. He has been named a Senior Fellow of the Japan Society for Promotion of Science and awarded the Tokyo Electric Power Company Visiting Chair in Energy Engineering at Keio University in Yokohama, Japan.

Diana Yun-Dee Wei, PhD'67, retired from Norfolk State University where she was a professor of mathematics.

Irene MacMillan Fournier, MSc'68, was married on Aug. 30, 1996, to Thomas Paul Fournier, and the couple live in New Mills, New Brunswick.

Art Hister, BSc'68, MD'70, hosts *The Medical Minute with Dr. Art Hister* and *House Calls*, both of which are broadcast on the Western Information Network. He has appeared on CBC's Morningside and was host of CBC's *Doctor, Doctor* from 1986-1989. His *Good Sex* video set viewer records on B.C.'s Knowledge Network. Most recently he was host of *In the Name of Health*, also for the Knowledge Network. He was the first full-time physician with the Pine Free Clinic, the first clinic in Canada to offer services to "disaffected youth."

C. David Hogg, DipEd'68, MEd'77, was appointed in October as Principal of East Hill School, a French immersion elementary school in Rivière des Prairies, Que. The community is looking forward to its new school building, scheduled to open in 1997.

Robert Jackson, BA'68, has recently been hired as a senior software developer for CERES Pharmaceuticals, Ltd., in Denver.

Karen Perego, BA'68, was elected to a two-year term on the Board of Directors of the Council of Communication Management at the organization's annual meeting in Chicago. Perego is Manager of Communications Programs at Royal Bank of Canada in Toronto.

John Doi, BSc'69, has moved from Camrose, where he was Superintendent of Schools, to Fort McMurray, Alberta, where he is now Principal of Westwood Community High School.

David Fleiszer, BSc'69, MD'73, MSc'79, is Director of the Montreal General Hospital's Breast Cancer Diagnostic Clinic.

Dr. Bluma Litner, BA'69, was the recipient of a 3M Canada Inc. and the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education 1996 3M Teaching Fellowship. She is an associate professor of applied science at Concordia University. She is married to Mark M. Rosenstein; they have two children, Noah and Joshua.

Jonathan Hurstfield Meyer, BCom'69, is President and CEO of Cleyn and Tinker, Canada's largest manufacturer of worsted wool. The company employs 575 people in the town of Huntingdon, Que.

Eleanor Wachtel, BA'69, is a literary journalist and broadcaster. She has published a second collection of her interviews in a book entitled *More Writers and Company*.

THE '70S

Beverley (Williams) Hicks, BN'70, was appointed Assistant Professor in the Department of Nursing and Health Studies at Brandon University in Manitoba. She teaches fundamentals of psychiatric nursing and group therapy in an undergraduate psychiatric nursing program, the only degree of its kind in North America.

Barbara Kelly, BA'71, was the 1996 recipient of the Federal Employee of the Year Award, given by the Federal Executive Association of Vermont. She is Chief of Nutrition and Food Services for the Veterans' Affairs Medical Centre in White River Junction, where she lives with her husband and two children.

Rhona Davine Rosenblatt, BA'71, DipEd'72, MEd'96, has been teaching for 24 years and has also raised a family. She retired in 1992 from playing and singing with the Montreal-based group "Talk of the Town."

Stuart Woolley, BA'71, MA'79, is Supervisor of Accounts Receivable and Credit Manager at NTN Interactive Network Inc., an entertainment technology company. He hopes that a move to B.C., with his wife, **Lesly Wade-Woolley,** MA'90, will have a salutary effect on his avocation as a screen-writer.

Eduardo del Buey, BA'72, is the Counsellor in charge of the cultural, media and academic relations section of the Canadian Embassy in Mexico City. He was the recipient of a 1996 Canadian Foreign Service Officer Award. The award recognized his work in enhancing cultural and academic relations between Canada and Spain, and between Canada and Mexico.

Robert J. Sharkey, MSc'72, MA'74, PhD'82, was appointed Senior Vice-President and

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Dr. Inge Schamborzki, BScN'73, MScA'79, DEd'87, was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the North Shore Health Region in Vancouver, B.C.

Susan Wheeler, BA'73, formerly Director of Public Relations at Trent University in Peterborough, is now Communications Director for the Inter-American Organization for Higher Education in Quebec City. She recently married Raymond Giroux, the editorial writer for Quebec City's *Le Soleil*.

Tony Vanvari, MEng'74, is President of Madi International, a fast food franchiser of 40 Croissant+Plus restaurants. He has opened a new Pizzalino concept, selling crustless pizza and high-quality pasta. His company was awarded two prizes at the Canadian Franchise Association Convention in Toronto on November 5, 1996.

Elliot Bier, BCL'75, LLB'76, facilitated the initiation of the Make-A-Wish program at the Palliative Care Unit of the Mount Sinai Hospital. The program grants wishes to terminally ill patients.

Donald N. McIlhone, BA'76, is Vice-Principal at Bishop McNally High School in Calgary.

Melissa Singer, BA'76, DipAir&Space Law'81, LLM'83, was appointed to the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada in June 1994.

C. Martin Webber, BCom'76, has joined J.E. Austin Associates, Inc., as Vice President, International Consultancy. Austin is a specialized consulting firm providing professional services in developing and emerging economies. He has two sons, David, 4 1/2, and Nate, 3.

Nancy J. Carrell, LLB'77, LLM'79, BCL'80, was appointed Vice-President, General Counsel and Secretary at Celanese Canada Inc. and Hoechst Canada. She was previously Deputy Secretary with the Canadian National Railway.

Marc Daemen, BSc(Arch)'77, BArch'78, won a gold medal at the 1996 F.I.S.A. world rowing championships in Budapest, Hungary. He and his partner, Guy Knowles, raced in the men's masters double sculls, "B" category (ages 36-42), passing teams from Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy and France to win the 1000m race. The following day they placed third in the "A" category (ages 27-35). They also placed first at the Royal Canadian Henley Regatta in St Catharines, Ont., August 1996.

Cynthia Taylor, BA'77, is a minister in the Zion United Church, Apple Hill, Ont. She is completing a Master of Sacred Theology in the Faculty of Religious Studies at McGill.

Kim Bartlett, BA'78, MA'84, was appointed Associate Director, Admissions and Recruiting, at McGill University.

Patricia Bush, BTh'78, STM'82, is pastor of the Broadalbin United Methodist Church. She received her Doctor of Ministry degree from Drew University in Madison, N.J., in October.

Richard C. Duke, BSc'78, MSc'81, an immunologist on faculty at the Department of Medical Oncology at the University of Colorado, is President of the Denver-based company Ceres Pharmaceuticals, Ltd. Ceres is a start-up biotechnology company which develops therapeutic products that stimulate and suppress the human immune system. His article "Cell Suicide in Health and Disease" was the cover story in the December 1996 issue of *Scientific American*. His wife, **Debra Minogue-Duke,** BA'80, is Director, Corporate Development, at Ceres. They are the McGill Alumni Association branch leaders in Colorado and have an eleven-year-old son.

Brian R. Mingie, BEd'78, opened his own accounting practice in Ottawa in September.

Bill Nisen, MA'78, is President of the Home Interactive division of McGraw-Hill. This division develops interactive educational software for children between the ages of 10 and 14 to use in their homes. He lives in San Francisco.

Marc Blondeau, BCom'79, is News Director of Télé-Métropole (TVA Montreal).

William (Robert) Forde Thompson, BSc'79, is a professor in the Department of Psychology, Atkinson College, York University, and has a position in the Department of Music. He is currently on sabbatical at the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

THE '80S

Debra (Minogue) Duke, BA'80, is Director, Corporate Development, at CERES Pharmaceuticals, Ltd., in Denver, Colorado.

Neil Maisel, BCom'80, DipPubAcct'81, has returned to Soberman Isenbaum and Colomby as partner in the business valuations/litigation support group.

Marie Thérèse Blanc, BA'81, BCL'96, LLB'96, MA'96, lives and works as a translator in Montreal where she is also writing the Quebec bar exams. This past summer she translated Guy Bertrand's *Enough is Enough: An Attorney's Struggle for Democracy in Quebec.*

Correction

The 175th Anniversary McGill Alumni Directory (October 1996) contained errors for several entries. We apologize for any inconvenience. Here is what should have appeared:

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Bill Lieberman, PhD, BSc '65
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She is an occasional contributor to the quadrilingual literary review *Ruptures*, and she practises Zen Buddhism at a Montreal zendo.

Carleen Carroll, BA'81, is Director, Corporate Communications, at AT&T Canada Long Distance Services. She has a two-year-old son, Michael.

Linda Hodes, LLB'81, founded the Share the Warmth Foundation in 1989. The foundation is dedicated to alleviating the situation of the poor and homeless people of Montreal.

Beatrice Kowaliczko, MA'81, is a co-winner of the 1996 Association for Canadian Studies Award of Merit. She was praised for her ability to bring together members of the Canadian Studies community despite their divergent languages, regions and cultures.

Michel Lazure, BA'81, was appointed Vice President, Commercial Finance, at General Electric Capital Corporation in Montreal.

Patrick A. Perluzzo, BCom'81, BCL'84, LLB'85, is a partner at the Montreal law firm Martino, Perluzzo. He practises civil, corporate, commercial and real estate law. He is a member of the New York State Bar and has been married to Jasmine DePalma since May 29, 1993. He has a son, Marco Valentino.

Barbara Lewis, BMus'82, has released a new CD, *Hara's Quest*. She is director of Cutting Edge Productions, a production and distribution company.

Mark Miller, MD'82, has been appointed Chief of the Department of Microbiology and Head of the Division of Infectious Diseases at the SMBD, Jewish General Hospital in Montreal.

John Craig Ronsley, BSc'82, completed an MD at the University of British Columbia and went on to do a psychology residency at the University of Toronto. In 1996 he was certified Clinical Fellow by the Royal College of Physicians, and now has a fellowship in forensic psychiatry at the University of British Columbia.

Dean Starkman, BA'82, is a reporter at the Providence Rhode Island *Journal Bulletin*, assigned to the investigative team whose stories on corruption in the Rhode Island Courts won the Pulitzer Prize for investigative reporting in 1996.

David Arnoff, BCom'83, was appointed Assistant Deputy Minister and Chief Administrative Officer, Management Board Secretariat, Ontario Government, in August 1996. He also teaches public finance in the Department of Politics at Ryerson Polytechnic University in Toronto.

Juan Carlos Sanchez, BIng'83, a completé, après l'université McGill, une MScA (1988) à l'École Polytechnique de Montréal. Puis, en 1989, il s'est joint à la compagnie Alcatel Cables Canada. Il a occupé plusieurs fonctions avant d'être promis directeur des services techniques en 1996. Il s'est marié en 1993 à son amour d'adolescent, Tania Schicharow, et ils ont eu deux merveilleux enfants, Nicolas et Katerina.

Judy Stockton, BEd(PhysEd)'83, moved to Portland five years ago and is now President of Wolf Environmental Group, an executive search firm specializing in the placement of senior environmental scientists and engineers.

Christiane Lahaie, BA'84, est devenue professeure de création littéraire au Département de lettres et communications (Faculté des lettres et sciences humaines) à l'université de Sherbrooke.

Celia Rabinovitch, PhD'84, held an exhibition of her paintings and drawings in October in Lafayette, California. Over the years she has had one-person exhibitions in San Francisco, Toronto, Cleveland, Denver, Madison, Winnipeg and Vancouver. Her work has won awards from the Canada Council for the Arts and from the Edna St. Vincent Millay Colony for the Arts. In 1990 she was Visiting Artist at Syracuse University.

Maria Addona-Deschenes, BN'85, had a son, Patrick, born July 17, 1996. She is on maternity leave from the Montreal General Hospital and plans to return to work in a year.

Astrid Bouchard, BCom'85, is Vice-President, Sales and Marketing Client Systems, at the Toronto-based insurance brokerage firm of Johnson and Higgins. She and her husband, Gary Hudson, have two daughters, Lindsay Melina and Madison Alexia.

Kirk Duguid, BCom'85, is Director, Financial Planning and Analysis, at Merck Frosst Canada Inc.

Bruce Grant, BA'85, received the 1996 Book Prize from the American Ethnological Association, the largest and most prestigious wing of the American Anthropological Association, for his first book, *In the Soviet House of Culture: A Century of Perestroikas*.

Victor Lam, MEng'85, has recently relocated to India and has taken up an engineering R&D position with a wireless service provider affiliated with NTT International.

Michel Legros, CertHealth&SocialServices'85, CertPR'87, a occupé le poste de chef du service d'électrophysiologie médicale à l'Hôpital Maisonneuve-Rosemont depuis 1989. Il a son troisième mandat consécutif a titre de président de l'Association des techniciens et technologistes en électrophysiologie du Québec. Le 13 juin, 1996, il était élu président de l'Association des cadres intermédiaires de la Santé et des Services sociaux du Québec.

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Robert (Bob) Lomax, BSW'85, has an MSW from the University of Toronto. He is a social worker with the Acquired Brain Injury Program at the Parkdale Hospital in London, Ont. He is married to **Bryna Warshawsky**, MD'86.

Boyd Morgan, MA'85, was appointed Provost of Queen's College in Newfoundland.

Elias Nemer, BEng'85, MEng'89, MBA'93, lives in Montreal and works for Northern Telecom as a project leader in wireless communications.

François Blain, BSc(Agr)'86, MSc(Agr)'89, is a Director of Media Relations with the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association in Montreal. For the past five and a half years he has worked with the federal government's Canadian Forest Service.

Éva Csarnay, DipEd'86, has taught piano at the McGill Conservatory of Music since 1986. She gives solo performances and plays in chamber music concerts. She completed a master's degree in music and performance in Romania in 1981.

Pierre L.M. Prévost, BEng'86, spent four years working on the Canary Wharf (London) and Euro Disney (Paris) projects. Since 1993 he has worked with the Hong Kong Airport Authority. He is a member of the construction management team whose responsibility is to complete a $10 billion (U.S.) airport on a man-made island by April 1998. He plans to return to Canada in mid-1997.

Christopher Voutsinas, BArch'86, recently graduated from the executive MBA program at the Wharton School and started a new job as Vice-President at Deutsch Bank, managing several closed-end real estate investment funds. He lives and works in Manhattan.

Bryna Warshawsky, MD'86, is the Associate Medical Officer of Health and the director of communicable diseases for the Middlesex-London health unit, London, Ont. She is married to **Bob Lomax**, BSW'85. They have a son, Joshua Eldon, born February 22, 1996.

Marc Berthelet, BSc(Agr)'87, PhD'92, is a science adviser for Revenue Canada. He lives in Pincourt, Quebec.

Rose Fierimonte, BSW'87, is a professional social worker. After graduation she lived and travelled in Europe. Following that, she worked for 8 years as a social worker in the Montreal area. In 1993 she married John D'Orazio.

Glenda Ouellette, BA'87, was appointed Manager, Planning, in business planning services with the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia in North Vancouver. She has a son, Robert Douglas Joseph, born in July 1995.

Razmik Panossian, BA'87, is working on a PhD at the London School of Economics and Political Science. He recently co-edited a book entitled *Nationalism and History: The Politics of Nation Building in Post-Soviet Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia.*

Chris A. Perks, BCom'87, completed an MBA at the University of British Columbia this year.

Marina Promies, BA'87, obtained a BEd (TESL) in 1993 and an MA in applied linguistics in 1996, both from Concordia University. She teaches at Bishop's University and is working on a second MA in educational studies.

Gail Schaffer-Goldberg, BCom'87, lives in Thornhill, Ont., and has been an employee at Fabriant Commonwealth for the past five years. She was promoted from Assistant Controller to VP Finance, to VP Sales, and is now Vice-President. She has been married to **Mark Goldberg,** DipPubAcct'82, for 12 years and they have two children, Sean, 8, and Kimberley, 6.

Hinrich Kaiser, BSc'88, PhD'93, was awarded a post-doctoral fellowship from the German government to continue his work on tropical frogs. He was appointed associate editor of the journal *Herpetological Natural History.*

Marie-France Leclerc, BEd'88, moved to Lindsay, Ont., in April 1989. She and her husband, Yvan Racine, are both French Immersion teachers. They have a daughter, Eve, born August 9, 1995.

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Susie Petersiel Berg, BA'88, gave birth to her first child, Jacob, in April 1996. In November of the same year she became editor of *Chickadee*, a science, nature and discovery magazine for six-to-nine-year-olds. She lives in Toronto with her husband Daniel and her son.

Kevin Wade, MD'88, is an ophthalmologist practicing at the University of British Columbia. He was awarded the Ross C. Purse doctoral fellowship on October 7. The fellowship is given in support of theoretical and practical research and studies in blindness and visual impairment. He and **Michelle Mezei**, MD'89, had a son, Phillip Anthony, on May 15, 1996.

Avrum Warshawsky, BEng'88, MEng'91, is a design engineer with Hewlett Packard Canada, in Kitchener-Waterloo, Ont.

Debbie Baluch, BEng'89, works in the business and planning group at Shell Canada's Montreal-East refinery. She was married in September 1996.

Kerry Buck, LLB'89, BCL'89, was the recipient of a 1996 Canadian Foreign Service Officer Award for her contribution to Canada's leading role at the Fourth United Nations World Conference on Women at Beijing in September 1995.

Jim Pascual, BEng'89, and **Sandy Davison**, BSW'94, are the proud parents of their second daughter, Chelsea-Brooke, born November 19, 1996. Jim has been promoted to program manager at IBM, while Sandy is working part-time as an academic advisor at Concordia University.

THE '90S

Adriana Affinito, BEd'90, spent two years as a cruiseship guest relations/social coordinator in the Caribbean Islands..She now lives in Toronto and was married in August to **Michel Boucher**, BA'91.

Pierre Cenerelli, BA'90, is researching his doctoral dissertation at Brandeis University, and is spending a year in Paris as part of an exchange program with the école normale supérieure.

Brenda Puchingez, BSc'90, DDS'94, completed a residency in general practice dentistry at Royal Victoria Hospital in June 1995 and now practices privately in Westmount, in association with her father.

Dominic Scott, BA'90, was awarded the Outstanding Foreign Service Officer award for 1996 in Ottawa. The award was presented by the Professional Association of Foreign Service Officers in Canada. The award recognized Dominic's role in the production of the Festival Canada in Taiwan.

Benoit Tremblay, BSc'90, successfully defended his PhD thesis, Structure and Dynamics of Early-Type Galaxies, at Rutgers University on October 7, 1996. He is now a postdoctoral researcher in medical imaging at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia.

Kris Trotter, MEd'90, is a student counsellor at Mount Allison University in Sackville, New Brunswick.

Alain Vinet, MgmtCert'90, is a manager in tool engineering in Peterborough, Ont.

Lesly A. Wade-Woolley, MA'90, received her PhD from OISE/UT, and is relocating to the University of British Columbia with an SSHRC post-doctoral fellowship in second-language reading. Accompanying her to B.C. are her three-year-old daughter, Eve, her husband, Stuart, and two golden retrievers, Jemima and Georgia.

Michel Boucher, BA'91, has been employed by Cascades Inc. since May of 1992. He was transferred to Toronto as HR manager in their paperboard industries corp. subsidiary in the Toronto Mill division. He and **Adriana Affinito**, BEd'90, have been happily married since August, and recently purchased a house.

Andrew Godfrey, BA'91, married Jenny in September 1995. They are both flight attendants for Air Transat based in Toronto.

Angela Jones, DipEd'91, has been an elementary school vocal and instrumental music teacher with the Elgin County Roman Catholic Separate School Board for the past five years. She also teaches private piano, flute and theory lessons at the St. Thomas Academy of Music. She is a member of the London Fanshawe Symphonic Chorus, under the direction of conductor Gerald Fagan.

Courtney Manning, BA'91, is a special assistant to the Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Larry Markowitz, BCom'91, BCL'95, LLB'95, was called to the Quebec Bar on December 9, 1996. He practises corporate / commercial law at Lavery, de Billy in Montreal.

Deborah Abacassis, BA'92, MA'93, DipEd'94, is working on her PhD in the Department of Jewish Studies at McGill. She is married to **Paul Warshawsky**, MD'93.

Holly Schile Nielsen, BMus'92, has started a pilot program in the southwestern Alberta school system, combining agriculture with education.

Jeremy Sitcoff, BA'92, is in his third year of law school at the John Marshall Law School in Chicago where he is editor-in-chief of *The John Marshall Law Review*, a quarterly publication examining current issues in the law.

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Christian Sylvain, MLIS'92, and his wife Angela have, between them, lived in eight provinces and studied at five universities. In 1992 they moved to Amsterdam where their son was born. At the end of this year, when he has completed an MSc in science and technology, they will move to London, Ontario, where he will begin work on a PhD at the University of Western Ontario.

Alexandra Yip, P&OT'92, travelled with her family on their "first pilgrimmage" back to their home country, China, in the fall of 1995. She works at the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre.

Jennifer Andrews, BA'93, is finishing a PhD at the University of Toronto. Her thesis concerns Canadian and American humour in contemporary fiction.

Stephanie Fowler, BA'93, teaches at the Wong Shiu Chi secondary school in Hong Kong where she has been for two years.

Christopher J. Kent, LLB'93, BCL'93, practises international trade and competition law at Flavell, Kubrick, and Lalonde in Ottawa. He and his wife Monique are the proud parents of Ariane Elizabeth, born May 23, 1996.

Reisa Khalifa, BA'93, received an MA in journalism from New York University in January 1995. She produces the Avril Benoit show at CJAD radio.

Audrey Li, BSc'93, is in her third year of physical therapy at the University of Toronto.

Georges Pigeon, BCom'93, obtained his CA designation in February of 1996 and has been working at the accounting firm KPMG for three years. He has recently transferred to London, England.

Rochelle Steinwald, BCom'93, works in Toronto at Kraft Canada as a product assistant in the marketing department. She will be married in August 1997.

Paul D. Swanson, MA'93, has joined Bell Canada's law department in Toronto after having spent three enjoyable years in British Columbia obtaining his law degree. He invites friends from McGill and the economics programme to contact him whenever they visit Toronto.

Paul Warshawsky, MD'93, is chief resident of internal medicine at the Jewish General Hospital in Montreal. He is also Pulmonary Fellow at McGill. He is the 1996 recipient of the Sheldon Zemelman Award in internal medicine at the Jewish General Hospital. He is married to **Deborah Abacassis**, BA'92, MA'93, DipEd'94.

Talat Chughtai, MD'94, is in the third year of a surgical residency at McGill. He was in Toronto to enjoy Pakistan's victory in the Sahara Cup cricket tournament.

Ken Dustin, BEng'94, completed an MBA and is a project manager in Montreal.

Larry Forlini, BEng'94, is a project manager for Kimmins Environmental Service Corp. in Florida, and is enjoying the Tampa lifestyle.

Sarah Gagan, LLB'94, completed the Ontario Bar Admission Course and was called to the Bar in February. She practises franchising, intellectual, property and computer law at Osler Hoskin and Harcourt in Toronto.

Veronique Hivon, LLB94, BCL'94, has completed a master's degreein public administration at the London School of Economics. She is now an intern at the Quebec National Assembly.

Irene Karantanis, BSc'94, was married in August to Tony Haakman. She has just moved to Edmonton where she will attend the master's program in Speech Language Pathology at the University of Alberta.

Maryse Langevin, BSc'94, has been working in an industrial bakery for a year and a half.

Martin Larochelle, BEng'94, worked for a local government research centre on a project in fluid mechanics in Santiago, Chile for a year. He then spent four months back-packing through Chile, Peru and Bolivia. He is now back in Santiago on a two-year contract with SNC-Lavalin.

Nathalie Lavoie, BSc(Agr)'94, has a master's degree in agricultura economics from the University of Saskatchewan. She is working towards a PhD at the University of California at Davis.

Vera Morgado, BA'94, worked as a political attaché for the National Assembly of Quebec and as Census Commissioner for Statistics Canada. In 1995 she travelled in Europe. She is now pursuing a master's degree in London, England. She is also an active member of the McGill Young Alumni and a freelance writer.

Guy Morin, MBA'94 has a new job as Project Manager at GIRO Inc.

Frank Runcie, BA'94, is pursuing an MA in comparative literature at the Universität Bayreuth in Germany.

Rabih Abouchakra, BEng'95, is at McGill working on a master's of engineering in telecommunication and signal processing. He recently travelled to Cuba, France and Lebanon.

Cindy Anderson, BEng'95, works at Pratt and Whitney as a design engineer (turbine design). Last summer she travelled through British Columbia and the Rockies.

Robert Bohbot, BCom'95, works for the accounting firm of Wasserman, Stotland, Bratt, and Grossbaum. He is studying to become a chartered accountant.

Ann Karen Brassinga, BSc'95, is pursuing an MSc degree in microbiology and immunology at McGill.

Sarah Clark, BA'95, completed a master's degree in European Studies at the London School of Economics and has begun work as a management consultant for the Boston Consulting Group in Toronto.

Marie-Hélène Coté, BA'95, is a graduate student in psychology at UQAM. She expects to be a researcher-clinician by 1999. All is well with her five-year-old daughter, Raphaëlle.

Debra Cullen, BA'95, worked with Frontier College as a labourer-teacher with immigrants on a fruit farm in Ontario. She then did volunteer environmental work in Eastern Germany. Last summer she spent three months in El Salvador doing volunteer work with Québec Sans Frontières, followed by a month in Guatemala. She participated in the Official Second Language Monitor Program in Val d'Or last year and is doing a second year at Collège de la Région de l'Amiante in Thetford Mines.

Kinga David, BSc'95, has been working in community nutrition and research in James Bay (Chisasibi) since June 1995.

Warren Dunn, BEng'95, is studying for an MEng in fluid mechanics at the University of Ottawa.

Paula Dupuis, BA'95, completed an MA at the University of Toronto and is now in the PhD program in history at the University of Victoria.

Anna-Maria Fantetti, BSc(N)'95, works at St. Mary's Hospital in the maternal-child care unit (ante and post partum).

Osama Faris, BSc(Agr)'95, received a Systems Engineering Certificate from Microsoft and now works as a Systems Integrator at Trilan Canada. He lives in St. Laurent, Quebec.

Ian Gilchrist, MSc'95, is the resident naturalist at the Taiga biological station in eastern

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Manitoba. He is conducting field work towards a PhD in zoology at the University of Manitoba.

Daniel A.G. Gilroy, BTh'95, will be returning to Montreal in September 1997, after completing a master's degree.

Christopher J. Godak, BMus'95, gives private flute lessons and teaches high school English and music in Osaka, Japan.

Eric Holdrinet, MBA'95, is an industrial technology adviser for the National Research Council of Canada, with an industrial research assistance program. His office is at CRIM, the Centre de recherche informatique de Montréal.

Azim Hussain, BA'95, spent a year in London doing a master's degree in sociology at LSE and now studies law at McGill.

James Knopp, LLB'95, works with the Securities Fraud Office, a joint effort between the Attorney General, the RCMP and the British Columbia Securities Commission.

Melanie Köszegi, BA'95, is in her second year of a law degree at McGill.

Rich Latour, BA'95, received an MSc in journalism at Columbia University in May 1996. He is a production assistant and researcher and is employed at NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw, in New York.

J.L. Marc LeBlanc, BCom'95, is a coordinator, game operations / special events, with the Toronto Raptors Basketball Club Inc. of the NBA.

Tatiana Levy, BSc'95, worked at the Montreal General Hospital for a year after graduating and now lives in Vancouver. She is a flight attendant with Air Canada. She plans to resume her studies within the next few years while continuing her travels.

Stephen Liu, BEng'95, was married in September to **Cristina Langiano,** BSc(N)'93. They spent their honeymoon at Montego Bay, Jamaica. Stephen has been transferred from Montreal to Washington, D.C., where he will be a field engineer for the St. Elizabeth Line and Tunnel contract.

Sophy Mak, BCom'95, is at Concordia University studying to be a chartered accountant. She works with KPMG.

Lisa McGregor, DDS'95, works in a private office in Old Montreal and is on staff at Royal Victoria Hospital's dental clinic.

Christopher Metrakos, BA'95, completed a master's degree in international economics at Queen's. He worked for Nesbitt Burns in the corporate finance department until leaving in October 1996 to join Salomon Brothers in Toronto.

McGill ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND HONOURS & AWARDS BANQUET

Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of the Alumni Association. The meeting will be followed by the Alumni Association's Honours & Awards Banquet.

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Luigi Santamaria Moschetta, BEd'95, teaches French at Westmount High School in Westmount. He is working towards a master's degree in education from McGill.

Nadine Paquet, MD'95, gave birth to a girl, Marie-Sophie, on August 16, 1996.

Michelle Paradis, BA'95, is working towards a master's degree in sociology at New York University, and lives free of charge on Park Avenue in exchange for walking a King Charles spaniel in Central Park.

Maya A. Patrie, BCom'95, has settled in Edmonton. She works at Nesbitt Burns and is completing her licensing requirements.

Lynda Psumas, BEd'95, was promoted in October from buyer to merchandising and styling research. She was married on October 19, 1996, and spent her honeymoon on a Jamaican and West Caribbean cruise.

Patrick Reilly, BSW'95, MSW'96, is a social worker and family therapist in Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Wilson Ricarte, BA'95, moved from Montreal to Calgary where he now works in the Quality Assurance department as a technical documentation specialist for CSI Inc. (Communications Systems International). The company is a leader in DGPS (Differentiated Global Positioning Satellite) beacon receiver units. He writes and controls the technical documentation and autocad drawings integrating the company's engineering, R&D and manufacturing departments.

Doug Roberts, BMus'95, was hired as an access services assistant in the Wilfrid Laurier University Library.

Danya Noura Vidal Sabih, BEd'95, has worked in daycare and is now head teacher. She is still looking for a "real" teaching position. In August she married Sacha Francis Sabih. He is in the Master's in Agricultural Economics degree program at Macdonald Campus.

Andre Saidah, BEng'95, works for a stainless steel corporation as a project/field engineer in Montreal.

Rafik Salama, MArch'95, is a research associate in architecture at McGill. He received the CIDA Professional Award in International Development and is presently, in collaboration with Professor Derek Drummond and the minimum cost housing centre at McGill's School of Architecture, conducting a research project about housing transformations. His paper about housing transformations, entitled *Tradition, Location, and Community: Place-making and Development*, is published by the University of Newcastle upon Tyne, in the U.K.

Jeff Schoolcraft, BEng'95, has finalized a contract with an environmental firm and is starting with a structures firm in Sherbrooke, Que.

Helgi Sigurdsson, MEng'95, vacationed in Iceland this summer and now holds a position as a Software group leader with a small company in Ville St. Laurent. Modular Vision System specializes in industrial machine vision for the semiconductor industry.

Christine Spanik, BSc'95, is beginning an MSc in the Audiology and Speech Sciences School at the University of British Columbia.

Francine Sternthal, BA'95, is a direct marketing specialist for a software company in Montreal.

Sophie Thauvette, BSc(P&OT)'95, worked in West Palm Beach, Fla, as a pediatric physical therapist for six months. She now works at Anna-Laberge Hospital in Chateauguay.

Florian Patrick Thomas, PhD'95, joined the faculty of St. Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1995. He holds an appointment as an associate professor of neurology, molecular microbiology and immunology, and molecular virology. He uses transgenic mouse technology to study the neurological complications of HIV and the genetics of inherited neuromuscular diseases.

Claude Tremblay, BSc(PT)'95, lives in New Orleans.

Melanie Vrba, BEd'95, lives and works in Lebanon with Brian McEwen. They teach at the American Community School.

Kaurosh Etemadi Zarganeh, PhD'95, is a post-doctoral research fellow of the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council at the Institute for Aerospace Studies at the University of Toronto.

Melanie Fried, BA'96, is a social worker at Castle School in Cambridge, Mass.

Dana Gornitzki, BCom'96, is in London, England, for work abroad experience. She lives in Hampstead, the northwest area of London, and plans to later pursue a graduate degree in communications and media studies.

Peter Wilson Yates, BA'96, spent three months backpacking in Australia, Fiji and New Zealand, and then worked briefly in the U.S.A. before returning to Canada. He plans to attend law school next year.

IN MEMORIAM

THE 1920s

Winnifred (Griffin) Allen, BA'26, at Amherstview, Ont., on November 8, 1996.

Alan Christie Clark, BCom'28, at Montreal on November 11, 1996.

Ethel Payne (McNaughton) Ingham, BA'28, at Montreal on November 30, 1996.

James Gordon Nelles, BCom'28, MCom'33, at Thornhill, Ont., on November 26, 1996.

THE 1930s

Beatrice Ferneyhough, BA'30, at Vancouver on November 6, 1996.

Allan Houliston McDougall, BCom'30, at Montreal on November 23, 1996.

Harry Pangman, BSc'30, at Montreal on June 25, 1996.

Jack Reitman, Arts'30, at Montreal on October 28, 1996.

Grant Taylor, BA'30, at Toronto on September 20, 1996.

Ralph Wilson Becket, BA'31, BCL'34, at Montreal on October 29, 1996.

Arthur Wilkinson, BEng'33, at Vancouver on November 1, 1996.

Charles Davis, BEng'34, MSc'37, at Sidney, B.C., on November 14, 1996.

Monty Blumer, Arts'35, at Hampstead, Que., on November 6, 1996.

Carl J. Jamieson, BEng'35, at Waterloo, Ont., on August 13, 1996.

R.D. McDonald, PhD'35, at New York on May 9, 1996.

Harold K. Morris, BEng'35, at Cambridge, Ont., on September 4, 1996.

Alma (Mark) Cummins, BHS'36, at Pointe Claire, Que., on November 21, 1996.

Saul Miller, BSc'36, MD'39, MSc'48, at Vancouver on July 28, 1996.

Donald Montague Smythe, BSc(Agr)'36, at Victoria on October 31, 1996.

William Drummond Eaton, MD'37, at Owing Mills, Md., on April 28, 1995.

Henry M. Pickard, MD'38, at Wilmington, N.C., on November 22, 1996.

Nora Page (Richardson) Bryant, BA'39, BLS'59, at Montreal on November 12, 1996.

Kathleen Monica (Lawson) Dunn, BA'39, at Ottawa on November 14, 1996.

Donald MacKay Whitelaw, MD'39, at Vancouver on November 16, 1996.

THE 1940s

Helen Henrikson, BSc'40, PhD'49, at Kingston on May 5, 1996.

Bernard Shapiro, BSc'42, MD'43, at Willowdale, Ont., on November 16, 1996.

Penelope (Chipman) Doody, BA'43, at Montreal on November 27, 1996.

Rev. Thomas Reagh Millman, PhD'43, at Toronto on November 22, 1996.

Harold Norton, BEng'43, at Kentville, N.S., in March 1996.

Guy Duperré, BCom'44, at Sherbrooke, Que., on July 1, 1996.

Edward Gall Mahon, BEng(Elec.)'44, at London, Ont., on November 13, 1996.

Auray Blain, PhD'45, at Montreal on October 27, 1996.

Bernard James Drabble, BA'45, at Ottawa on November 4, 1996.

William Francis Hadley, BCL'46, in Spain on November 7, 1996.

Henry Seywerd, MA'46, at Toronto on December 10, 1996.

Rev. Arthur W. Watson, BA'46, at Hamilton, Ont., on December 17, 1996.

Gillian L. (Murray) Evans, BSc'47, at Salt Spring Island, B.C., on February 10, 1996.

Arthur Edward Levasseur, BEng'47, at Dorval, Que., on December 2, 1996.

George Alexander Thomson, BCom'47, at Sillery, Que., in February 1996.

Gordon Joseph Edelstone, BCom'48, at Toronto on September 3, 1996.

James S. Gunn, BSc'48, at St. Catharines, Ont., on December 4, 1996.

Catherine (Trivett) Sharp, BA'48, MEd'73, at Montreal on November 11, 1996.

Joseph Guy Beaulac, BCom'49, at St-Bruno, Que., on September 25, 1996.

Giles E. Bisson, MD'49, at Halifax on September 19, 1996.

Ross D. Cavey, BCom'49, at Victoria on September 10, 1996.

W. G. Mackenzie Hume, MD'49, at New London, N.H., on August 2, 1996.

Williard Johnson, BSc'49, PhD'52, at Ottawa on August 12, 1996.

Helen Kerr, BLS'49, at Edmonton on November 9, 1996.

Aylette Moore, BA'49, at Little Purnel, England on December 4, 1996.

Clifford Elphinstone Stirling, BA'49, at Montreal on October 31, 1996.

THE 1950s

Adrienne (Rozenbaum) Carpenter, BA'50, MA'51, BLS'56, at Toronto on November 24, 1996.

Edward H. Malkin, BCL'50, at Vancouver on August 25, 1996.

Norman A. Johnston, BSc'51, at Ottawa on November 16, 1996.

Patricia (Bohan) Weeks, MD'51, at Topsfield, Mass., on June 8, 1996.

Gerald Lorne Locke, DDS'52, at Okotoks, Alta., on December 24, 1996.

Jacqueline (Silberberg) Veinish, BA'52, at Montreal on October 27, 1996.

James Guy Ashwin, PhD'53, at Ottawa on May 18, 1996.

Charles W. Laidley, BEng'56, at Kingston, Ont., on November 29, 1996.

THE 1960s

Jane (Sangster) Davies, BSc'61, at Dundas, Ont., on August 29, 1996.

Mark Longhurst, BA'62, MA'67, at Abbotsford, B.C., on September 7, 1996.

Robert Ernst Bailey, BEng'63, at Victor, N.Y., on August 23, 1996.

Charles John Kasner, BCom'67, at Toronto on December 28, 1996.

THE 1970s

Brenda Ann (Callaghan) Cornell, BA'73, MA'74, at Montreal on November 16, 1996.

THE 1990s

Dale C. Rathler, MEng'90, at Brockville, Ont., on November 9, 1996.

Constantine Paritsis, BSc'92, on March 29, 1996.

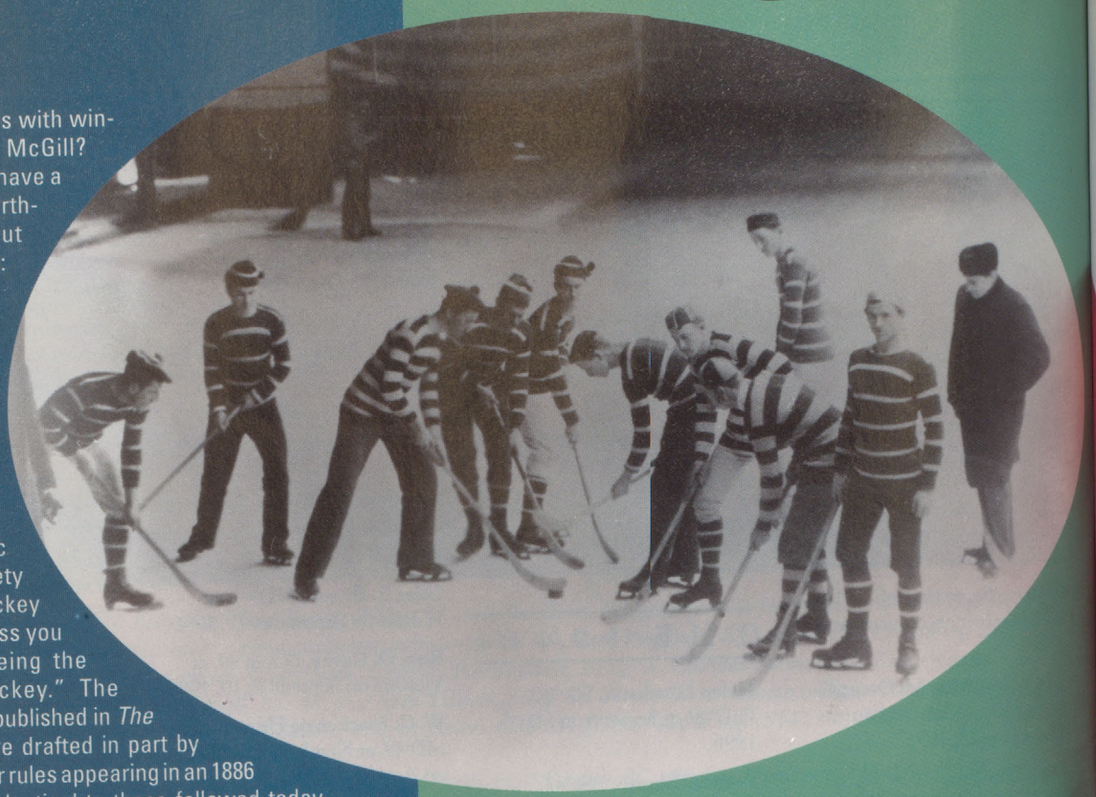
Zoltan Bagu, Arts'94, at Montreal on October 31, 1996.

Dennys Alberto Malpica-Ling, DipMgmt'96, at Montreal in June 1996.

Mathias Michalon, Science'96, at Montreal on October 31, 1996.

Our Error!

We erred in reporting in our last issue that **Gary Knox,** *BEng'90, had died. In fact, Mr. Knox is alive and well, currently in Montreal and soon to be transferred to Toronto. He and his wife Caroline have three daughters, Victoria, Virginia, and Vanessa. We apologize for any inconvenience to Mr. Knox.*



Hockey: synonymous with winter, Canada and . . . McGill? Montreal and McGill have a strong claim as the birthplace of hockey, but there's a challenge: some folks argue the "Halifax" version of the game is first. "No way!" bellows Earl Zukerman, Communications Officer for McGill's Department of Athletics and a vice-president (Quebec region) of the Society for International Hockey Research. "Not unless you count shinny as being the same thing as hockey." The Montreal rules, first published in *The Gazette* in 1877, were drafted in part by McGill students. Later rules appearing in an 1886 *Gazette* are almost identical to those followed today. And strengthening McGill's claim to hockey immortality: in 1881, William Notman took the first posed "hockey team" photo, starring none other than McGill's intrepid squad.

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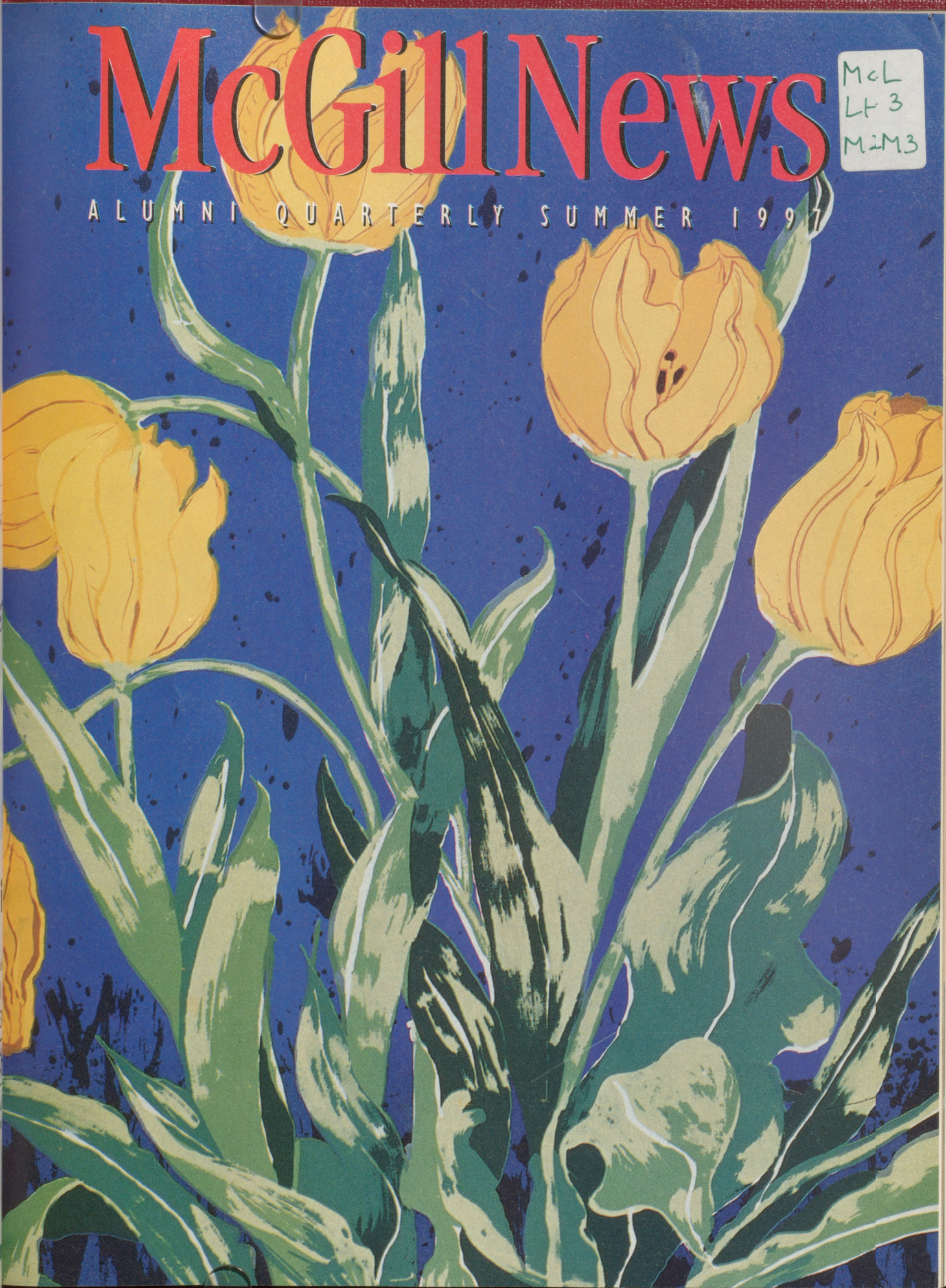

SPIRIT

Among the 85 volunteers who turned out for the annual Toronto Phonathon, held April 7 and 8, were Percy Kissoon, BCom'72 (L), Mary Usher-Jones, BA'67, Rosalind Evans, BA'91, and Don Hogarth, BSc'85. Kissoon and Hogarth were Co-Chairs of the event.

"A Towering Spirit"

All around the globe, graduates and other friends make important connections for McGill. This network includes 90 different branches and contacts in countries and cities throughout the U.S. and Canada. The oldest branch, Toronto (est. 1927) is particularly active today.

In April, for instance, a two-day Toronto Volunteer Phonathon raised $79,112 in gifts and pledges to the McGill Alma Mater Fund. Such events reconnect old friends and classmates and strengthen school ties while raising much-needed funds to help the students of today.

To support the growing activity of McGill graduates in branches in and around Toronto, the new Ontario Region Office of Development and Alumni Relations opened its doors April 29 (see page 7 for more information).

One way McGill's far-flung community of support pulls together is by making gifts to the McGill Alma Mater Fund. Last year, graduates gave $3,440,000–surpassing all previous totals.

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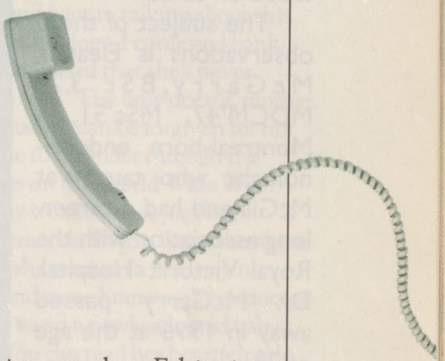

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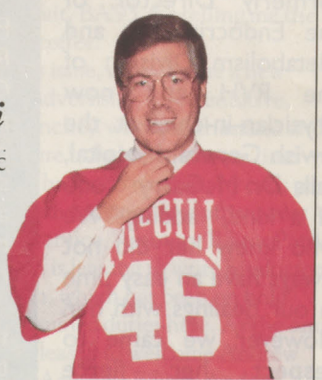

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Montreal artist Ann McCall, BA'64, created this screen print, *Spring Tulips*. She was elected to the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts in 1981.

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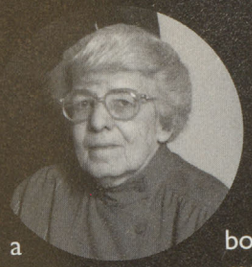

As a researcher studying the effects of growth hormone in human beings, she became part of "a world-class discovery."

As a person, she was "equally gruff and gentle with all, independent of creed or colour."

The subject of these observations is Eleanor McGarry, BSc'37, MDCM'47, MSc'51, a Montreal-born endocrinologist who taught at McGill and had a career-long association with the Royal Victoria Hospital. Dr. McGarry passed away in 1996 at the age of 79.

Dr. Barry Posner, formerly Director of the Endocrinology and Metabolism Division of the RVH and now Physician-in-chief at the Jewish General Hospital, calls Dr. McGarry " one of a kind," adding "We who knew her did not always have an easy time in our dealings with her. However, we came to respect her fierce commitment to high standards in the realms of both action and judgment."

A "WORLD-CLASS DISCOVERY"

Dr. David Goltzman, BSc'66, MDCM'68, Professor and Chair of the Department of Medicine at McGill and RVH Physician-in-chief, is another former colleague who has paid tribute to Dr. McGarry. Referring to the work of Dr. McGarry and her colleagues, Dr. Eleanor Venning, BA'20, MSc'21, PhD'33, and Dr. John Beck, BSc'45, MDCM'47, MSc'51, Dr. Goltzman observes: "They conducted many of the first studies on the metabolic effects of human and monkey growth hormone in [humans]. This led to the treatment for pituitary dwarfism."

Dr. Henry Friesen, President of the Medical Research Council of Canada, concurs: "This was a world-class discovery, dramatically changing scientific understanding about the human growth hormone." On a personal note, Dr. Friesen adds: "Underneath what seemed to be a brusque veneer beat a very kind heart. She...was a compassionate soul who cared a great deal about the problems of her patients."

She also "never hesitated to state her views...and," Dr. Friesen continues jokingly, "she had a vocabulary that sailors would be proud of..." For her excellence in research, Dr. McGarry received a prestigious Medical Research Council Associateship, which she held for many years. In 1994, she was presented with the Royal Victoria Hospital Distinguished Service Award. In addition to her research work, the citation for this award referred to her continuous support for the RVH and McGill's libraries.

Another of her ongoing interests was children's diabetes. She was a founding member of the board of directors of the Quebec Camp for Diabetic Children, later called Camp Carowanis. During her 38-year association with the camp, she served terms as president and chair of the board. She was also a member of the Diabetic Children's Foundation for 22 years.

Dr. McGarry was proud of her McGill connections. She had spearheaded fundraising in support of the Faculty of Medicine's Class of '47 fiftieth anniversary project for the Health Sciences Library. This work is now being coordinated by Dr. Joseph Stratford, BSc'45, MDCM'47, MSc'51, DipMed'54. Many donors have made gifts in her memory. Dr. McGarry also honored McGill posthumously with a bequest.

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It's not easy to shock people these days. What used to be nasty secrets-affairs, deceits, various sexual proclivities – are talked about openly on radio and television. The bar for shock value seems to rise a little every year. So you still want to shock someone? Tell them you have never used a bank machine. You will elicit expressions from wide-mouthed surprise to raised eyebrows with shades of disdain, to inquiries about the state of your general mental health. Then, the questions: you actually go to the bank? Yes. You stand in line? Yes, the lines are now shorter than at the bank machines. You don't run out of money? No. That's what credit cards and cheques are for.

To date, I've never used a bank card. It's just one more code to remember. One more code in information overload. Between home and work, I have some six or seven access codes which change regularly. There's three for the computer, one for the fax, another for the photocopier, two for voice mails, etc, etc. Coming back from vacation is a memory nightmare.

The bank card was one I could avoid, until the weight of public shame grew too heavy. A few days ago I went to the bank to finally obtain a personal identification number, known as a "PIN" essential to use the card. While entering, I noticed the bank machine at my branch had a handwritten sign: Out of Order. Once inside, two attempts to get a PIN number were unsuccessful. The PIN number machine was on the fritz. I left, still among the uninitiated, feeling slightly vindicated in my distrust of machinery in general. Still, thousands of other people swear by their efficiency and reliability.

As things go, bank machines are now pretty low on the whole technological evolution chain. It's now possible to do most banking via the telephone or the computer. The financial services sector is one of the fastest-growing sectors of the Canadian economy, making the banks even more important in their role as employers and innovators. In this issue, we are pleased to present a profile of John Cleghorn, BCom'62, Chairman and CEO of the Royal Bank of Canada, the most profitable bank in the nation. He's a champion of innovation and good corporate leadership. Writer Harvey Schachter, BCom'68, details how John Cleghorn's work ethic developed from his time at McGill. For his part, the former Redmen football player is quick to point out that his organization must constantly figure out new ways to do business and struggle against complacency in the number one position. (No doubt, Mr. Cleghorn knows how to use a bank machine!)

McGill has no shortage of graduates who are leading their fields, and having a few minutes to swap stories is always a great joy. After finishing the editing of her article for this issue, Dr. Christina Zarowsky and I got to talking about this and that, technology. I confessed bank card. She confessed that she's never "surfed the Net." The busy doctor, mother, and PhD student can be forgiven for not having time to meander through the infinite files on the World Wide Web.

Like many women, she's juggling multiple demands. In this issue, she writes about how she went on a field trip to Ethiopia, and came home with her doctoral research – and a newly adopted baby daughter. You can read her heartfelt tale "Ifrah's Story" inside these pages. Thank you to her anthropology colleague Caroline Tait, BA'93, for telling me the story over coffee.

With this issue, we welcome a new Montreal advertising representative, Donna Henchey, whose enthusiasm and energy is sure to help our bottom line. She would happy to receive any calls pertaining to advertising. And after a year of faithful service, Assistant Editor Patrick McDonagh is leaving to write his doctoral dissertation, which has been on hold since he assumed duties here. At the same time, I'm pleased to welcome Andrew Mullins as Assistant Editor. Andrew is a Montreal short story writer and graduate of the graduate creative writing program at Concordia University. Please feel free to contact either of us with your ideas or suggestions. In this technological age, we're pleased to speak by phone, or even better, face-to-face.

Janice Paskey

LETTERS

Athletics worthwhile

THERE WILL ALWAYS BE SOMEONE WITH a contrary view to worthwhile and laudable initiatives ("Priorities Questioned," Letters, Spring'97). While at McGill, I complained to Professor Bill Pugsley, then professor of management, about the vast sums of money spent on promoting athletics in U.S. colleges and universities. He said athletics were part of the "mosaic" of university life. I tend to now accept that comment.

When I played intercollegiate football at both McGill and Macdonald College, the teams were not well endowed. Equipment was old. I distinctly remember training in a drafty room with a bare light bulb and old free weights – long before the days of chrome and Spandex. In spite of everything, people like George Jay and Pat Fitzgerald tried their best to keep us dressed in uniforms that showed their pride and ours for McGill. One year, Quebec cut funding that eliminated the budget for intercollegiate sports, such that the alumni pitched in to help field teams in football, hockey, basketball and soccer or face not participating at all.

Although I have not visited the sports complex, I am very envious and thankful that McGill would choose to invest in its athletes. Some will become Academic All-Canadians. Some will be recreational. Some will be staff in the University and the Royal Victoria Hospital. All can enjoy a well-equipped and designed facility that can serve to clear those cobwebs that tend to grow after hours of studying in the library.

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Still desirable

I WAS DELIGHTED TO READ YOUR article on the comings and goings among the McGill faculty ("Academic Moves," Winter'96), although I am particularly sorry that Jim Tully has left the Philosophy Department. It is evident, however, that McGill remains a desirable place to be even as the pressures and tensions generated by financial constraints and Quebec government actions increase. What is a matter of regret is that the increasingly hostile political environment in and outside the University is taking its toll on a number of fine teachers and distinguished researchers. I thought that your article handled these complex issues with great sensitivity.

I was also pleased to see your report on the Russian Department ("In From the Cold," Fall'96). At a time when both large and small language and literature departments in North American and European universities are being decimated in the interest of the irrational principle of "rationalization," it is good to see that the McGill department not only continues to contribute to the excellence of the McGill Faculty of Arts, it also stands as one of the best Russian departments in North America.

Harry McFarland Bracken
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Editor's note: Students in the Russian department continue to shine. Last March, students produced plays – A Nervous Breakdown *by Anton Chekhov, for example – very imaginatively and with great enthusiasm. One of their own, Russian student and rising actress Mia Kirshner (of* Exotica *fame) just finished playing the part of Kitty in the film version of Tolstoy's* Anna Karenina, *which opened in New York and Toronto in March of this year. While her acting has drawn her away frequently since she first entered McGill in September 1994, she managed two courses last term, both in Russian literature.*

Crazy enough

IN READING "COOL ON CAMPUS" (Spring'97), I was pleased to find out the Architecture Café has progressed to a vegetarian food program.

When we were at McGill between '47 and '53, the architecture building was at the corner of University and Milton, just to the south of the gates, in an old mansion. The basement was the student lounge and had a very small area for a snack bar. The concession was given to any students crazy enough to want to operate the place and was only open during lunch.

The menu in those days consisted of baloney or egg sandwiches for those students with some money and mustard sandwiches for those without.

The memories are very fond. I ran this gourmet café with two classmates for two years, and we retained any profits for ourselves.

Morris Kula, BArch'53
Willowdale, Ont.

Good work, Bernard

CONGRATULATIONS TO PRINCIPAL Bernard Shapiro for taking a stand against increasing tuition of "Out-of-Provincers" to a level above that paid by Quebec students ("Tuition on Trial," Spring'97). It's bad enough that "Out-of-Provincers" are usually required to take an additional year of study in contrast to Quebec students.

Darlene McLean, BCom'94
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Mental efforts undervalued

I WAS INTRIGUED BY MCGILL'S negotiation for costs of lost research time during the power failure last fall (Power Failures, "Cool on Campus," Spring'97). Far too often, our time and mental efforts are undervalued relative to physical damages.

Recently, wet snow caused a wall to collapse and it landed on my biomechanics lab. Although we were able to retrieve most of the sensitive electronic instruments, the loss of the lab space has put the pinch on our research. Many students are being delayed and I will pursue the idea of compensation.

I always look forward to the brown envelope containing the *McGill News*. This most recent issue has provided more than enjoyable reading and catching up on the institution. I miss the atmosphere of McGill, the anatomy museum, and the mountain.

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Editor's Note: The writer refers to the three-day power failure from September 27 to 29, 1996. McGill has received a damages claim from Hydro Quebec but is still pursuing lost research time costs.

La pleine valeur

L'ARTICLE DE RICHARD LATENDRESSE intitulé «Transfert d'expertises» qui a paru dans le dernier numéro de *McGill News* met en relief «l'association de deux unités» d'enseignement pour offrir un nouveau programme qui privilégie l'acquisition de connaissances à la fois en sciences économiques et en gestion. Plus loin dans le même article, l'auteur reconnaît un volet «inédit» du programme, c'est-à-dire la contrainte imposée à tous les étudiants inscrits d'acquérir en même temps une compétence professionnelle en français managérial. L'apprentissage du français constitue en effet l'un des avantages incontestables du programme d'autant que cette nouvelle compétence linguistique permettra aux diplômés d'étendre leur rayon d'action de façon doublement plus efficace après avoir regagné leurs pays d'origine.

Chaque étudiant a donc la possibilité de quitter l'Université McGill muni non seulement de la maîtrise mais aussi du Certificat de compétence en français. Et cette année en fait, le premier diplômé du programme de Certificat faisait partie de la promotion de 1996 en gestion des politiques économiques, un exploit extraordinaire compte tenu des exigences des programmes de gestion et de français managérial.

Cette double qualité du programme est directement attribuable à la collaboration soutenue entre le département de langues et de traduction dont le directeur des programmes de français langue seconde a conçu des cours intensifs de français managérial et la faculté de gestion. C'était pour notre département l'occasion de mettre à contribution l'expertise qu'il a acquise après nombre d'années dans l'enseignement du français langue seconde, et plus particulièrement l'enseignement du français de spécialité.

Nos autres étudiants bénéficient également de cette association avec nos collègues de gestion, car nous sommes dans la première année du tout nouveau programme de diplôme en français des professions. Celui-ci vise le marché des diplômés universitaires qui s'apprêtent à exercer une profession exigeant une connaissance approfondie du français.

L'expérience acquise auprès des étudiants en français managérial nous a permis également de faire avancer deux autres projets clefs dans un domaine où nous collaborons avec des collègues de l'Université Laval et de l'Université du Québec. Il s'agit de la création d'un Centre d'examen pour le Canada pour la passation du diplôme approfondi de langue française (DALF) délivré par le ministère français de l'Éducation et de la nouvelle version nord-américaine du diplôme de français de spécialité délivré par la Chambre de commerce et d'industrie de Paris (CCIP).

Non seulement le programme de maîtrise en gestion des politiques économiques est un bel exemple de collaboration dans le développement des programmes d'enseignement de pointe, mais c'est aussi un tremplin qui permettra à l'Université McGill d'étendre son expertise dans ce domaine à un public encore plus vaste.

Nous aurions souhaité que *McGill News* reconnaisse la pleine valeur de cette collaboration interdépartementale, car c'est là la voie de l'avenir.

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And me?

I ENJOYED THE ARTICLE "A STRAWBERRY Speaks" (Spring'97) but I was disappointed to see that the article gives the impression that Dean Buszard was the creator of the three strawberry cultivars. I was also disappointed to see there was no credit for the photos that I provided for the article. Although I realize that the article was about Deborah Buszard and not me, I feel that credit for work was misdirected in the opening paragraphs. I hope *McGill News* gives proper credit to researchers in future.

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Editor's note: Mr. Khanizadeh is mentioned in the story as Deborah Buszard's research partner. Thank you for the strawberry photos.

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Dollars and Scents

McGill's new self-funded programs are generating debate on campus. Is the university an accessible public institution or an executive training institute?

by Patrick McDonagh

Fully-funded, privately funded, self-funded. Like the proverbial rose, would such a program by any other name smell as sweet? Perhaps, but ross and academia rarely meet outside botlant science courses and staid receptions. So what is in a name? McGill's self-funded degree programs have been re-named many times since their recent inception. The words "private programs" had McGill's public relations office on the defensive with inquiries. But whatever the label, the defining factor is that unlike most McGill degree programs, these programs receive no government subsidies. Consequently, the fees are high, from $12,000 and up, compared to regular in-province tuition of $1,680.

Self-funded programs have sprouted like spring flowers at McGill over the past two years. That is a very sweet smell indeed, according to some. The man in charge of McGill academics, Bill Chan, believes the self-funding route provides programs that McGill wouldn't have otherwise – without competing with traditional programs.

"These programs target non-traditional student populations: government officials and business people, for instance," Chan says. "Public funding shouldn't subsidize activities of the university benefiting the government or the private sector." Hence, Canadian and Quebec taxpayers won't be paying for executive MBAs, or international students in business or dentistry anymore.

But some find the programs have an odour, not a sweet smell. "There is no difference between a self-funded program and a private program," according to Anna Kruzynski, the graduate student association vice-president of university affairs. "McGill just doesn't want the words 'private programs' to show up on the pages of *The Gazette*." Indeed, an article on McGill's US$40,000 International Master's for Practising Managers had phones ringing off the hook in McGill's public relations office. The article neglected to mention that the regular McGill MBA for Quebec students is still heavily subsidized and available at just 15 percent of the actual cost.

Whatever the name, self-funded programs are taking root vigorously, and not only at McGill. Ten universities across Canada – including the Université du Québec à Montréal and Concordia University in Montreal – run executive MBA programs that support themselves financially. Is this an example of natural selection in the academy, and a competitive economy contributing to the flowering of a new academic species? Or is McGill creating a two-tiered system of public and self-funded programs that will compete with each other for funding and professors?

McGILL'S SELF-FUNDED PROGRAMS

- Masters in Economic Policy Management: $44,000 for 2 years
- International Master's Program for Practising Managers: US$40,000 for 16 months
- International students, MBA: $16,000 per year
- International students, BCom: $12,000 per year
- Master's in Management-Manufacturing: $25,000 for 16 months
- International Students, dentistry: $32,000 per year

So far, the faculties of management, dentistry, and engineering are the only ones to offer self-funded programs – largely because employers and governments are willing to pay the price to acquire knowledge and technical skill. However, some at McGill are worried that self-funded programs are the slippery slope to private universities.

On May 7, 1997, the McGill Senate, the academic decision-making body, adopted guidelines after an intense and polarized debate. The guidelines say self-funded programs must maintain high standards like other McGill programs. As well, academic staff teaching in the self-funded programs must contribute to scholarship and research and be evaluated for tenure in the same way as all McGill academics. The guidelines go on to say that students in self-funded programs must meet the admission standards established by Senate, and self-funded programs must "address the issue of accessibility" for academically outstanding students.

The other major issue is profits. In the 1996-97 academic year, self-funded programs generated $1.5 million in tuition revenue, and they are expected to bring in $2.6 million in 1997-98. McGill has decided the minimum charge for a self-funded program will be no less than the full cost for a publicly funded program, which varies from faculty to faculty, but generally is $13,000. But faculties can charge more than that – whatever the market will bear – and make a profit.

University finance officials say they can't assess what profits have been made to date because the costs associated with self-funded programs are not entirely clear. But one thing is certain: if there are to be any profits in the future, they will be shared.

Beginning this fall, 70 percent of the revenue stays with the sponsoring faculty, while the remaining 30 percent goes to the university's central budget. Then, 25 percent of the university's share is distributed among all the other faculties according to their proportion of the university's budget.

For example, consider the new Master's in Management-Manufacturing program. Under the new rules, of the $25,000 tuition for 16 months, some $17,500 will go to the sponsoring faculties, Management and Engineering, and $7,500 will go to the university. The university then keeps 75 percent and divvies up the remaining 25 percent, or $1,875, to other faculties.

Profits are not the issue for some. Graduate student Kruzynski argues that the rules came in too late. "The guidelines don't address the real issues. The university has never had an open debate on whether we even want self-funded programs." Social Work professor Eric Shragge is also uneasy. "The policy is very vague. Will the self-funded programs remain small and marginal, or are they the future? How would social work programs fare if they had to be self-funded?"

Most of the programs are in management. "It's difficult to say that these programs are less accessible to students because a num-

ber of the programs wouldn't even exist except for full-cost funding," argues Wallace Crowston, Dean of Management. Meanwhile, Jan Jorgensen, who designed the master's degree in Economic Policy Management (EPM) program, expands: "We felt it wouldn't be appropriate for the government to subsidize a program meant for overseas students." And, as Chan notes, Columbia University in New York City has a similar program with a comparable tuition. "There's no reason we shouldn't offer programs of the same quality at the same cost," he says.

And the perks aren't only financial. According to Vince Thomson, co-director of the Masters in Management-Manufacturing program beginning this September, "This program created 11 new courses, most of them available to other students. Plus, the program will contribute $20,000 to the library and $30,000 to a graduate student research lab."

But McGill is unsure what the programs will mean in the long run. In the Senate discussion, English professor Leanore Lieblein successfully proposed an amendment to reaffirm McGill as a "publicly funded institution that recognizes that in selected instances, self-funded programs may allow the university to move toward greater financial autonomy....".

However, even with this provision, Political Science professor Sam Noumoff is concerned. "Will the worthiness of a program be defined by its ability to make money?" he wonders. "I fear we're being piece-mealed into privatization. By the time anyone wakes up, it will be irreversible."

In response to concern about creeping privatization, Chan is quick to assert that the university is in no danger of becoming a private institution. "In Quebec, student tuitions account for 15 to 18 percent of the university operating budget – that's the lowest of any publicly funded system in North America," he points out. "Don't even talk about privatization!" Chan argues that there are several new government-subsidized programs at McGill – an environmental engineering option in the civil engineering master's program, a PhD in social work offered with the Université de Montréal, and a master's program in dental science. McGill will be learning to manage the hybrid of programs, government funded and self-funded, in the coming years.

Toronto the Good; McGill the Grateful

After many years of pondering the idea, McGill opened a regional office in Toronto last April, in order to help with fundraising and student recruitment. With its plum Bay St. location, McGill is now well located in the financial heart of the nation, close to some 30,000 alumni. The new director, Colin Campbell, BSc'62, is a graduate who knows McGill well and who was most recently President of Junior Achievement Canada. He stresses that the Development and Alumni office will assist wherever needed. "We're a consulate for McGill," Campbell explains. "We're here to be open and flexible and to act as a service for various McGill departments and professors. We'll be defining our role in six months as things progress."

Campbell will work with Alexya Heelis, BA'96, Development and Alumni Relations Associate. "We are grateful to the Royal Bank for making this space available to us," he says.

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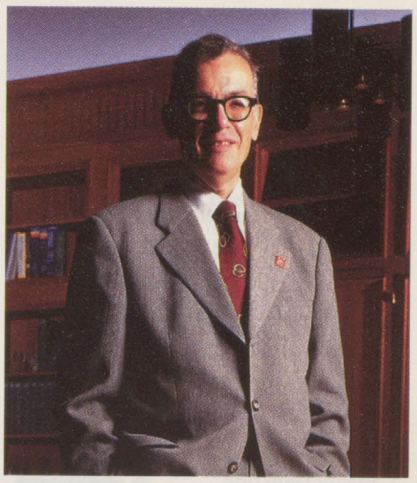

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Five more years!

Calling it the best thing for McGill, a year-long review committee has decided that Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'58, will be renewed as McGill's principal for another five years. Principal Shapiro's term will run from September 1, 1997, to 2002. The committee said Principal Shapiro, 62, began many positive changes: reducing administration, increasing cooperation between faculties and other universities, and building connections with the provincial government. This fall, Shapiro will become leader of the association of university rectors and principals of Quebec. "We thought he should stay on to see the changes through," says Gretta Chambers, who led the review committee.

The committee members included alumni representatives James Robb and Ian McLachlan; Richard Pound and John Cleghorn, from the Board of Governors; Professors Robert E. Mackenzie, Michael Smith, Malcolm Baines and Patrick Glenn; students Don McGowan and Hugh Potter; and staff representatives Trevor Garland and Allan Youster.

Best deal

Finally, McGill gets a deal. For just $1. Canadian. The City of Montreal is renting Rutherford Park, on top of the reservoir across from Thomson House, to McGill for just $1 for the next five years. The park is used routinely by McGill students for sports.

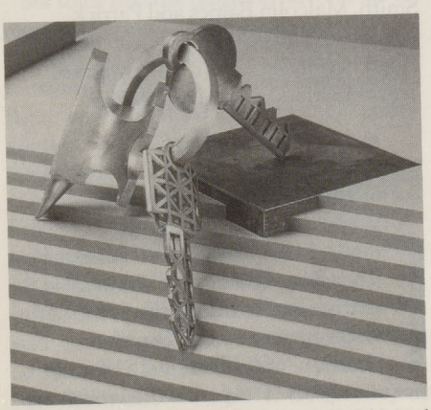
The Wong Building Opens

McGill has a new landmark! The M.H. Wong Building, long the subject of curious glances from passers-by at 3610 University, just below Avenue des Pins (Pine Avenue), was inaugurated on April 3, the first new building on the downtown campus in almost 20 years. The Wong Building will house the departments of chemical and metallurgical engineering; chemistry and physics will also move some of their operations to the building.

Architects Martin Troy, BSc(Arch)'81, BArch'82, and Eric Marosi BSc(Arch)'75, BArch'76, in collaboration with Jodoin, Lamarre, Pratte & Associates, ensured that the building would meet the needs of the new tenants. For instance, the electron microscope facility was built on a separate, independent foundation in order to avoid even the tiniest vibrations that might travel through the rest of the building.

The building is named for Jimmy Man-Hung Wong, BSc(Arch)'80, BArch'81, a Hong Kong real estate developer who donated $8 million to McGill upon his untimely death at 38 in 1994. His mother, Hung Lai-Chun Wong, and brother, Chun-Wah Wong, journeyed from Hong Kong to participate in the opening ceremonies. Another anonymous Hong Kong donor from the class BEng(Chem)'59 gave $1.9 million toward the building. The balance of funding came from the provincial ($15.7 million) and federal ($5 million) governments, as well as from donors to the McGill Twenty-First Century Fund.

The entrance sculpture is by Montreal artist Jacek Jarnuszkiewicz.



Lobby sculpture is made of brass, steel and metal

At right: Jack Gélineau, BCom'49, Below: Mabel Gladys Bean, BA'40,

Hall of famers

Jack Gélineau, BCom'49, Mabel Gladys Bean, BA'40, and the 1945-46 Redmen hockey team were inducted into the McGill Sports Hall of Fame in May.

Gélineau played goaltender for the Redmen and was McGill's Male Athlete of the Year in 1948. He was called up to the Boston Bruins, becoming the first goalie in 30 years to play in the NHL while attending university.

The next season, Gélineau won the Calder Trophy as the NHL rookie of the year (1949-50) but was unable to get a raise out of stingy owner Jack Adams and was traded to the Chicago Blackhawks. He earned seven shutouts, 46 wins and 33 ties in 143 NHL games. He currently lives in St. Bruno, Quebec, and recently retired as an accountant.

Mabel Gladys Bean was an assistant professor and director of women's athletics, physical education and recreation in 1966. During the 1971-72 funding crisis, Bean developed a funding project and volunteer coaching project that allowed the women's teams to stay afloat. She died in Montreal, Dec. 18, 1986.

The 1945-46 Redmen hockey team won the Queen's Cup as champions of the Senior Intercollegiate Hockey League, McGill's 13th and most recent hockey title. Under coach Dave Campbell, the Redmen needed to win their final regular season game against the undefeated Blues. McGill fell behind 4-1 after two periods but rallied in the final stanza to win 5-4. This miraculous victory forced a sudden death playoff game at a jam-packed Montreal Forum, March 15, 1946, in which McGill won 4-1.

Three players from that Redmen team went on to the NHL, including Jack Gélineau, Reggie Sinclair (New York Rangers and Detroit Red Wings) and Johnny Peirson (Boston Bruins).

Other team members include: Dick Currie, captain Bob Brodrick, Doug Heron, Gordie "Goose" Gosselin, Cy Biegler, Walter Mingie, Tom Hale, George Hale, Jimmy O'Connor, Dan Porteous, Ernie Spiller and Ward Pitfield. Team manager was Allan Rae and Harry Grimes was the trainer.

Smokin'

by Sean Pierre, BSc'97

As a university student, particularly one in a prestigious institution such as McGill, I have the opportunity to interact with some of the best minds in the world.

This being said, you would think that very few of the illustrious McGill crowd would smoke. Even a six-year-old can now describe the hazards of puffing on those "sticks of death." Lung cancer, coronary heart disease, decreased life expectancy . . . all are recognized consequences of cigarette smoking. In fact, in Canada, tobacco is one place shy of being deemed an illegal substance. A new law severely restricts both advertising and sponsorship of events by tobacco companies.

As illogical as this may sound, many university students still puff away at tobacco. Despite known health risks, there seem to be perfectly logical reasons why students smoke. This does not make smoking right; I am just arguing that these students are most definitely not mentally impaired in any way. Students experience many pressures: the importance schools place on marks, family expectations, relationships, the weather (if you were ever at McGill, this is not a laughing matter), nostalgia, and other forces, which demand that we find a way to relieve our stress. Yes, there are other time-honoured methods of doing this: some like to exercise, some drink coffee, some go to see movies. However, smoking gives a very special type of satisfaction.

Nicotine is a cholinergic agonist. The scientific jargon means that most of the effects of nicotine act directly on our nerves, those components of our body that help our minds react to what is going on around us. Nicotine actually increases one's state of wakefulness – useful when one is pulling all-nighters to finish those three papers which, thanks to your caring professors, are all due the same week. It also increases short-term memory, which comes in handy when studying for that exam for which you have to memorize a book of information that you won't need at any other time in your life.

And for everyone who thinks that "the freshman 15," those 15 pounds you gain in first year and at the start of every year, are unavoidable, think again. Nicotine decreases the sensation of hunger, so you can kiss those chocolate cravings goodbye. It also improves concentration, so no longer do broken hearts keep you from doing well in your final exams.

One might say that your life is more important than a grade on an exam, but then again, unless you do well, what life you have isn't going to be all that great anyway. With the rising rates of unemployment all over the world, it is difficult to worry about your health 30 years into the future, when there's the worry of whether you'll have a job five years ahead.

Smoking is often railed at for causing addictions that are difficult to reverse. Only five percent of all smokers who try to quit succeed without professional help, and this often at the cost of chewing some terrible tasting gum or using uncomfortable patches. However, everyone forgets to mention that although nicotine is addictive, it cannot be "abused" as the term is legally defined. What does this mean? Although you can't easily give up nicotine completely, you keep taking in the same amount every day once you have settled into a pattern. Therefore, if someone has been smoking one pack of cigarettes a week for the past two years, he or she will continue to do so for the rest of his or her smoking career, and will not become a two-pack-a-day smoker. This is actually one of the main reasons why tobacco is legal, unlike many other addictive drugs.

These are some of the reasons why the smoking industry is one of the biggest and most vibrant in the world. The Grand Prix of racing, tennis tourneys, the Montreal Jazz Festival, the Just for Laughs Comedy Fest, the Montreal Film Festival . . . all of these are sponsored by cigarette companies.

All this for the measly price of about five bucks! One might almost question why people don't smoke!

My argument might cause some to think that I am an avid smoker, or that I support smoking. Au contraire, I am a confirmed non-smoker, extremely worried about the burdens that smoking places on health and the health care system, and I dislike the smell of cigarette smoke. However, this is no reason to beat up on my smoking peers and label them stupid or silly.

Since more than a third of all smokers are within the 18-24 age group (which makes up the majority of university students), stopping smoking means addressing their concerns. Maybe universities could work to alleviate some of the stresses placed on students and provide services whereby they can deal with the problems which cannot be avoided, and thus remove the need for cigarettes. While a puff a day may not keep the diseases away, it sure does seem to keep a lot of a university student's everyday problems at bay.

seduced by seahorses

Amanda Vincent knows that emotion is key to conservation. Enter the sprightly seahorse with its mythic, magical and medicinal properties. Can its cuteness save the seas?

by Patrick McDonagh and Louise Fabiani, BSc'80

"I've had favourites," Amanda Vincent confesses. "James, who has the world record for babies: 1,572 at one time! And one tagged Male #85, who lived in the Sydney harbour and would only attach himself to discarded lawn sprinklers." McGill's newest biology professor recalls her favourite seahorses fondly.

With its equine head, upright carriage, overlapping plates and prehensile tail, it is easy to see why the ancient Greeks regarded the seahorse as a minuscule sea monster used by Neptune to pull his chariots. The seahorse also boasts one of the animal kingdom's most distinctive baby-making arrangements: the male becomes pregnant. The female produces the eggs (thereby proving that she is, in fact, the female) but deposits them in the male's pouch, where he fertilizes them (the male function in procreation).

"James's babies came from a pouch with a half-tablespoon capacity," marvels Vincent, "but if you laid the babies out end to end, they would reach 11 metres."

Vincent, at 36, is the world authority on seahorse conservation. She arrived at McGill from Oxford last October, after being vigorously recruited. "We had the candidates teach a class in addition to giving a department seminar," explains Donald Kramer, Chair of Biology, "and we formally considered student opinions. The students found her integration of academic research and practical environmental problems stimulating, even charismatic." McGill offered a teaching load of one course per year and plenty of time for research to entice the zoologist turned activist to Montreal.

Enter Vincent's office on the fourth floor of the Stewart Biology Building and you are surrounded by images and artifacts representing seahorses. For Vincent, *Hippocampus*, as scientists know the seahorse (the name means "horse-worm" or "horse-monster," depending on the translator), is not simply her object of study. It is a passion.

"They can be so elegant, so beautiful," she confesses. The fish is a charmer, all right. But it isn't just another pretty, albeit fishy, face.

Seahorses are also big money. With dried seahorse selling for up to US $1,200 a kilo in Hong Kong recently, the price is as contingent on supply and demand as any Wall Street

Opposite photo: A pregnant male seahorse

In her McGill office, Amanda Vincent displays a dried seahorse. Opposite: Dried seahorses for Chinese medicine

commodity – and seahorse demand always outstrips supply. The known legal traffic in dead seahorses amounts to more than 50 tonnes annually, or about 20 million seahorses; aquariums and collectors take another 500,000 to 1 million seahorses from the seas. The trade supports entire communities in the Philippines and Vietnam.

"We don't know what the world seahorse population is," Vincent laments. "But if you're taking 20 million seahorses a year, you have to be having some effect." Sure enough, subsistence fishers have commented on dwindling populations and smaller individuals – no surprise to Vincent. The population decline also reflects the state of the sea: pollution, dredging and dumping threaten seahorses' coastal seagrass habitat (which supports much other wildlife as well), while the commercial shrimp industry nets seahorses as well as other fish. Without intervention the picture is bleak, but Vincent is banking on the photogenic seahorse, as support for it could also save the coastal habitat.

Feminism and Fish

Feminism and curiosity led Vincent to the seagrass fields. "I was interested in the evolution of sex differences, how sexually linked behaviours developed – women growing up in the sixties and seventies in North America tended to think about such things," she says. In human beings and most other animals, the male is traditionally the aggressor, the loudly dressed character who vies for the attention of the female. Would that behaviour persist, Vincent wondered, if the male carried the young – as seahorse males do? In her 1990 Cambridge dissertation, she found that even male seahorses fulfilled the stereotypes, strutting and posturing before potential mates.

Intellectual curiosity and a willingness to ignore the beaten track are characteristics that Vincent comes by honestly. She was barely a toddler when her father, at the time a 57-year-old executive at Alcan, but previously a diplomat and a cartographer, gave up the corporate world.

"My parents were sitting on a mountain top in British Columbia, and he decided he wanted to do something different with his life. He was getting frustrated. So they took us to South America for three years of travelling about."

Her father became a freelance writer, her mother a photographer. The example has obviously made an impression on Vincent, a champion risk-taker in her own right, as well as on the rest of her family: brothers Anthony, 57, Nicholas, 53, and Rory, 34.

Another Vincent has trod upon the world stage of late. Last December 17, Anthony Vincent, Canadian ambassador to Peru, was at a reception at the Japanese embassy in Lima when Peruvian rebels took almost 500 diners hostage. Anthony was released early to become the key negotiator with the rebels. Amanda missed the drama only because she was delayed by a meeting in London and her plane landed four hours after the hostage-taking. While global intrigue is not a normal part of her life, a global outlook is. Amanda Vincent has travelled and lived on most continents.

"La vrai liberté c'est le vagabondage." The slogan (very roughly translated, "true freedom lies in wandering") adorns a poster now hanging above Vincent's desk. After obtaining her BSc from the University of Western Ontario in 1981, she took the sentiment to heart. "I wasn't sure what I wanted to do," Vincent recalls. "I had a strong feeling that I wanted to change the world. Who knows how to do that? So I set off on my bicycle."

For three years Vincent pedaled through Europe, Australia, China, and other parts of the Orient. "When I ran out of money I worked, and then I travelled again." She bartended in Ireland, picked grapes in France, and sheared sheep in Australia. The defining career moment came in Australia at a conference, the International Ethology Congress. Vincent volunteered to work at the conference in exchange for admission, with two outcomes: a research job studying dugongs, large aquatic walrus-like mammals that early sailors are suspected of having mistaken for mermaids, and an introduction to the "extraordinarily impressive" Cambridge behavioural ecologist, Timothy Clutton-Brock.

Clutton-Brock assumed a major role in Vincent's tutelage. She began graduate work at the University of British Columbia, but was dissatisfied and successfully applied to Cambridge. Her would-be supervisor tested her commitment. "He wouldn't take me on until I met him personally, so I had to fly at my own expense to Washington, D.C., to meet him. I think that was part of the test. I think I also captured his attention by having done innovative things and showing that I could take care of myself."

Once accepted, her initial plan was to join a long-term project on Soay sheep, but Clutton-Brock persuaded her to consider *hippocampus* because, due to their unusual male pregnancy, seahorses seemed a natural subject for investigating the evolution of sexual behaviours. After making the switch, her former supervisor notes, "Amanda was seduced by seahorses." Yet the challenging problems posed by breeding seahorses in captivity and then writing a doctoral dissertation were not enough to contain Vincent's energy. She also organized ice hockey teams and, recalls Clutton-Brock, "cooked the best brownies in Cambridge." Going to England had drawbacks – the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council cut off Vincent's scholarship, and as a result, she had to scramble for funding: "I had a total of 32 scholarships to get me through that doctorate, as well as student loans." But Cambridge meant access to top scientists and resources, allowing her to act on that youthful desire to change the world, or at least a part of it.

The Tonic Trade

Walk into the *Magasin des Herbes de l'Asie Quoc Te* in Montreal's Chinatown district and you are greeted by sweet smells and friendly staff. Behind the counter, among the large jars of various herbs and roots used in traditional Chinese medicine, there rests a bottle of what appear to be small dried parsnips. On closer inspection, they are bleached seahorses. "A tonic," according to the proprietor, "to make

Amanda Vincent on the island of Palawan in the Philippines, en route to the seahorse ranch

you feel healthy." The price: $3.50 per fish. You can grind it yourself, or have someone at the store grind it for you.

As Vincent points out, the International Union for the Conservation of Nature, which draws up the lists of endangered and threatened species, has identified all 35 seahorse species as "vulnerable," and one as officially endangered. A growing demand for traditional Chinese medicine, aquariums and curios is threatening seahorse populations.

The bulk of this trade is for traditional Chinese medicine, which caters to one-quarter of the world's population. Seahorses are used as a general tonic as well as for a variety of ailments and conditions, including asthma, broken bones, skin problems, excessive phlegm, arteriosclerosis and impotence. They have long been thought to carry medicinal powers: the Roman naturalist Pliny the Elder suggested mixing the ashes of a seahorse with soda and pig lard to cure baldness, and the use of seahorses in Chinese medicine goes back at least 400 years. Vincent is reluctant to tread casually on this heritage, especially as the seahorse trade is also critical to the survival of many local cultures.

Saving the Seahorse

Vincent decided to enlist local communities to protect the beleaguered seahorse population. In the central Philippine village of Handumon, about 40 per cent of the fishers depend on seahorses for 40 per cent of their annual household income and sometimes their ntire seasonal income. However, over a 10-year period seahcse catches were reported to have dropped 70 per cent. Clearlyı management program was needed.

Three years ap, together with the villagers, Vincent developed a plan whia evolved into the world's first seahorse conservation projectIn a 33-hectare marine sanctuary, roughly the size of McGill's ɔwntown campus, no fishing of any species is permitted. Only ishing with traditional methods is allowed in a nearby area. Prgnant males captured by fishers are placed in a 50-square-metɛ mesh cage until they give birth, whereupon the young escapthrough the mesh to freedom. The males are then sold. Immaure seahorses caught by fishers are placed in large fenced "se corrals" to double in size and value before being sold. The onservation gain here is that the seahorses will start producing oung and releasing them into the sea before they are fully grwn, replenishing the local population further before they are hrvested. The strategy is working: fishers have noted an increaɛ in the numbers of seahorses, as well as other fishes, since th project began. As a result, according to Vincent, the fihers are making more money from larger, healthier catchs.

Amanda Vicent is the lone Westerner among a locally based staff of bɔlogists and community workers. She travels from Montreal ɒ visit the project several times a year. It is coordinated with th Haribon Foundation, a Philippine conservation group, anc its success has encouraged an extension of

Underwater with a seahorse

Vincent's related seahorse project in Vietram, also initiated three years ago. Fish populations are rising in the regions patrolled by the villagers protecting their seahorse corrals. And slowly, tentatively, the seagrass world is charging.

The Seahorse Mystique

The seahorse isn't the only fish in the sea, although it is the poster fish for a package of environmental issues, especially the conservation of coastal seagrass ranges. But thanks to the seahorse, the seas themselves are receiving more attention The International Union for the Conservation of Nature recently enlisted Vincent as the "coastal waters" specialist on its committee that identifies species and habitats in danger. According to its chair, David Brackett, "Vincent's community-based projects really recommend her, along with her reputation as a treless worker – especially since the position is unpaid."

If we were to follow Amanda Vincent as she pulls on her scuba gear and mask to wade into the warm waters along the Philippine coast, we might find the wellspring of her inspiration. It lies in the magical, idyllic world of the seahorse. "I'm besotted by them," she says. And if, like Amanda Vincent, we offered our hand for the seahorse to hold with its tail and experienced that creature connection, we might beseduced and understand more fully the desire to conserve the world's voiceless creatures.

The Joys of Seahorse Sex

The seahorse's reproductive process is fascinating for both the scientist and the casual voyeur. First is a three-day courtship period for new couples. Each day, the two partners circle each other, attached by their tails to coral or grass, their tiny fins fluttering. Their bodies brighten in colour. They may move, but they move together. The courtship ritual ensures that both seahorses are physiologically prepared to mate, but it also begins what is a monogamous relationship – one of the very few in nature. (Most animal partners "cheat" on each other all the time. "But in seahorses," says Vincent, "you would be aware of any cheating because the male shows he's mated by being pregnant and the female simultaneously loses her body shape – she contracts quite a bit as she gives her eggs away.") Eventually, the male indicates when he is ready. He compresses his pouch, pumping water in and out, much as he will expel future offspring. After the female's egg depositor, or oviduct, which serves the role of a penis, begins to protrude from her abdomen, they swim towards each other, and the eggs stream into the male's pouch in a long, sticky string. The male fertilizes the eggs once they are in his pouch.

After mating, when the male is heavy with young, the female never strays far. (Perhaps she has to be ready to go searching for pickle-and-ice-cream plankton for the expectant dad's midnight cravings.) She greets her mate every morning for a few minutes in a way very similar to their courtship – suggesting a kind of "renewal of vows" that may reinforce the monogamous bond.

Guide du travailleur autonome

NAÎTRE EN

par Jean Benoît Nadeau, BA'92

Je suis devenu journaliste et travailleur autonome un matin de janvier 1987 par -20° C. J'avais 22 ans. Debout sur un réservoir dans une raffinerie de l'est de Montréal, je mesurais le niveau d'huile à chaîne avec une pesée. J'avais abouti là trois mois plus tôt après des études en dents de scie: génie civil, littérature, écriture dramatique. Mais ce matin de janvier, je me suis soudain extirpé de cette longue maladie mentale appelée adolescence. J'ai décidé que je serais journaliste et que je terminerais mes études en sciences politiques à McGill. Je ne me doutais pas que j'accédais, du même coup, au monde des travailleurs autonomes.

En fait, je suis devenu travailleur autonome deux fois. La première, ça a été de force. La seconde, par choix. Comme les compétences me faisaient défaut au début, les employeurs ne se pressaient pas pour embaucher l'aspirant journaliste que j'étais. Pendant trois ans, j'ai placé un article par-ci par-là, tout en terminant mes études. Au fil des ans, quelques magazines ont fini par me proposer des emplois, que j'ai refusés. Et c'est alors que je suis devenu travailleur autonome par choix.

Au début de ma carrière, je me plaignais amèrement de ne trouver aucun job. Mon père, un associé dans une firme d'ingenieurs, m'a surpris un jour: «Mais c'est très bien, au contraire, fils – il m'appelle toujours fils. Il y a plein d'avantages fiscaux à être travailleur autonome.» Je me souviens de ma réaction: «C'est quoi, ce machin-là, autonome?» C'est ainsi que j'ai appris que j'appartenais à une catégorie d'individus honorables quoique hybrides, mi-personnes, mi-entreprises.

La scène se passait vers la fin des années 1980. Il n'y avait alors que quelques dizaines de milliers de travailleurs autonomes – fermiers, professionnels, artisans, ouvriers de métier – qui ne s'affichaient jamais comme tels. Dix ans plus tard, une légion d'ex-employés, d'ex-cadres, d'apprentis, de diplômés de cégep ou d'université – que l'emploi a lâchés! – se lancent à leur compte par choix ou par obligation. Le Québec compte 500 000 travailleurs autonomes, soit près de 15% de la population active, 100 000 de plus que les fonctionnaires et les chômeurs.

AFFAIRES

photos par Nicolas Morin

Un demi-million de gens sur le système D!

Qu'est-ce, au juste, qu'un travailleur autonome?

Définition défaitiste: un pauvre type sans job qui s'arrange pour gagner sa vie.

Celui qui croit cela fait fausse route. Le premier client venu le fera travailler pour rien en le laissant espérer obtenir ainsi un job. Le pauvre type qui vit son purgatoire en attendant le salut par la job se condamne à la précarité par sa mauvaise attitude.

Ma définition, inspirée du fameux «Ma mére à travaille pas, à trop d'ouvrage» d'Yvon Deschamps, est volontariste. Un bon travailleur autonome:

– n'a pas de job, mais trop de travail;
– pas de patrons, mais des clients;
– pas de salaire, mais un revenu.

Travail. L'idée peut paraître incroyable à l'employé pur et dur, mais le savoir-faire se monnaye très bien du fait de sa rareté et de la demande. Si vous êtes compétent et utile, vous aurez toujours trop de travail, assez pour songer à employer quelqu'un.

Client. Contrairement à l'adage, le client n'a pas toujours raison. Il a même souvent tort, surtout à l'heure de négocier. D'un point de vue d'affaires, c'est un égal. Idéalement, il en faut plusieurs.

Revenu. Le travailleur autonome ne touche pas un salaire, mais un revenu, qu'il obtient en facturant son client, taxes en sus. D'ailleurs, vous raisonnez en salarié si vous croyez que la TPS est une nuisance!

La première difficulté est donc de nature conceptuelle. Le travailleur autonome est chercheur, responsable des ventes, chef négociateur, directeur des comptes recevables, contrôleur financier, comptable, président-directeur général, président du conseil d'administration et son propre attaché de presse. Et il est en plus, en secrétaire de tout ce beau monde! Bref, il est l'entreprise. Un travailleur autonome qui parle de «job», de «patron» et de «salaire» n'a rien compris. Il souffrira parce qu'il ne se considère pas comme une entreprise.

Il est très difficile de se départir du réflexe de l'employé. Nous

Il n'y a pas de contradiction entre l'humilité et la capacité de se vendre

avons tous grandi dans l'idée que l'emploi était le but de la vie. Il jouit du statut que l'on fait miroiter aux enfants: «Étudie si tu veux une job.» Le «sans-patron», s'il n'est pas lui-même patron ou professionnel, est vu comme un taré, un délinquant.

Or, soulignons-le, l'idéalisation du salariat est un phénomène récent. Il est impossible d'attribuer une date à l'apparition du premier travailleur autonome pour la simple et bonne raison que l'humanité travaillante est autonome depuis toujours. C'est la condition humaine. Des travailleurs autonomes, il n'y a que ça dans les livres d'histoire: Christophe Colomb était à son compte. Fermiers, commerçants, ouvriers spécialisés, soldats tissent partout le fil des siècles. C'est une erreur de croire que la prostitution est le plus vieux métier du monde!

Jusqu'à une époque récente, personne ne souhaitait être salarié. Cette condition voisine de l'esclavage dérivait de l'incapacité à être fermier, car on ne peut indéfiniment diviser la terre entre ses 14 enfants puis entre les 14 enfants de chacun d'eux. Quelqu'un défriche, les autres se mettent à son service. Et l'esclave est l'employé ultime dont on n'assure que la subsistance et qui vous appartient en propre. Libre, le fermier ou l'artisan – scribe, cordonnier, maréchal-ferrant – possède en plus son mode de production, ses outils, voire ses esclaves!

L'emploi tel qu'on l'entend de nos jours – signe de statut, protégé par les lois, convoité et désirable – appartenait à une élite de fonctionnaires jaloux de leurs privilèges. Ils étaient nombreux à Rome, en Égypte (les scribes) et dans l'Église, première multinationale à offrir la sécurité d'emploi jusqu'à la fin de vos jours et le paradis jusqu'au Jugement dernier.

Mais la notion d'emploi pour tous est fort nouvelle. Au début du XIXe siècle, la révolution industrielle a provoqué une augmentation sans précédent de la population non-agricole, donc employée, réduite à la misère. Pour des raisons davantage politiques qu'humanitaires, ces individus ont acquis des droits, dont celui de voter et celui de légiférer. Henry Ford a été l'un des premiers industriels à comprendre que s'il ne partageait pas sa richesse avec ses employés (en leur versant de gros salaires), ce serait la révolution. Tout le XXe siècle est l'histoire de gouvernements et de compagnies qui achètent la stabilité politique et sociale en protégeant l'emploi.

La crise actuelle de l'emploi n'est qu'un retour du balancier. Les machines sont plus efficaces que jamais. L'État a moins d'argent pour le pain et les jeux. Et les financiers, qui ne sont plus tenus d'investir dans leur pays, créent des emplois ailleurs, là où cela leur coûte moins. Les emplois d'ici se précarisent. Si bien que plus de gens doivent se lancer à leur compte pour assurer leur subsistance et leur sécurité. Et on se rappelle les plus vieux métiers du monde...

La première description du mode de vie des travailleurs autonomes revient à Xénophon, citoyen-soldat-philosophe-mercenaire grec qui a vécu entre 425 et 355av.J.-C. Son livre, *L'Économique*, met en scène Socrate, ce mauvais coucheur de Kritoboulos et le sympathique Isomachos dans une conversation philosophique. Le titre est très mal traduit et cache le sujet véritable. En grec, le terme oikonomikon signife «l'ordre dans la maison». L'Économique porte sur la gestion d'une exploitation agricole – rappelez-vous: le fermier est un travailleur autonome! –, mais surtout sur la façon dont le bon citoyen assure sa subsistance et un surplus pour participer aux affaires de la cité. Il suffit de remplacer le mot citoyen par travailleur autonome et le vieux livre prend une actualité toute nouvelle!

Jean Chrétien

Xénophon, par la bouche de Socrate, mettait fortement l'accent sur les vertus morales du citoyen (lire: le travailleur autonome) et sa liberté, encore que ce terme soit galvaudé de nos jours.

Qu'on idéalise ma liberté de travailleur autonome m'a toujours amusé. Certes, je suis libre. Je peux travailler en robe de chambre jusqu'à midi ou interviewer un ministre tout nu par téléphone si ça me chante. Je n'ai pas de patron pour me blâmer si je décroche un après-midi...

... Mais si je prends mes aises tous les jours, je n'irai pas loin. La liberté implique des contingences: je suis responsable de moi-même, de mes assurances, de mes vacances, de mes congés, de mon temps. Le revenu n'est pas joliment étalé chaque semaine ou chaque mois mais vient par bourrées plus ou moins grosses, souvent moins que plus. Quand il s'agit d'emprunter pour acheter une auto, le banquier le plus jovial pose sur ma personne un regard vide d'intérêt. Et puis, le bureau est si près de la boîte à biscuits. Ma chatte, par pur sadisme, déchire le dernier fax tandis que je cuisine le ministre. Peut-être même qu'un client potentiel me contactera juste au moment où le petit braillera.

Est-ce une atteinte à ma liberté? Le problème est mal posé. À mon avis, on est libre deux ou trois fois dans sa vie, quand on prend de grandes décisions sur ses études, son travail, l'amour. Après, on en assume les conséquences tout en s'arrangeant pour avoir les coudées assez franches quand viendra le moment de prendre la prochaine décision. Voilà pour la liberté.

Etes-vous fait pour la vie de pigiste? Cette fois, on revient carrément à Socrate 101 et à sa maxime – Connais-toi toi-même, mon pote –, avec tout ce que cela exige de lucidité.

Pour réussir, il faut du talent, du temps, du jugement, pouvoir décider seul et développer de solides qualités morales. Mais il ne suffit pas seulement de vouloir, il faut aussi pouvoir. Un aspirant

jockey qui mesurerait 2m et pèserait 100kg serait plutôt taillé pour le métier de cheval. Vous ne passerez pas à côté de certaines contraintes physiques (le temps, l'argent), de talents et de goûts personnels: les relations publiques dans le domaine pharmaceutique sont très payantes, mais si vous détestez la biologie à vous en confesser, vous n'irez pas loin.

Parti Québécois

Lucien Bouchard

On peut régler la question des qualifications si on a le temps (ou l'argent) pour les acquérir. Mais si vous n'avez personne pour vous soutenir – financièrement et moralement – un an ou deux pendant l'apprentissage, repensez-y. À moins d'avoir décroché votre premier gros client avant d'avoir quitté votre emploi – ce qui est rarement le cas – ou de dénicher un emploi à temps partiel pour mettre le beurre sur le pain pendant l'apprentissage.

D'ailleurs, pourquoi n'en faudrait-il pas, du temps? L'étudiant en génie vit l'esclavage: cinq ans d'études, dont deux avec un demi-salaire. Est-il opprimé? Non. La société exige des avions qui ne tombent pas. Et personne ne pleure quand l'étudiant rate ses examens. Pourquoi en serait-il autrement du travailleur autonome qui doit produire un bien ou un service pour des clients exigeants?

On vit bien comme travailleur autonome, même si ce n'est pas le Klondike. Au début, votre ambition doit être de vous assurer un revenu décent, d'abord et avant tout, et de faire ce que vous aimez. Car vous ne prendrez pas votre bain dans le champagne les premières années. Quand j'ai débuté, l'hebdo culturel *Voir* me payait 20$ le feuillet et j'étais très fier de gagner ainsi quelques sous pour payer mes études. J'ai gagné 2000$ durant mes huit premiers mois de pige. Deux mille dollars! C'était ridicule, mais j'apprenais aussi beaucoup et c'était là l'essentiel. Naturellement, un travailleur autonome qui maîtrise son domaine gagnera beaucoup plus la première année, à condition d'avoir pris le temps de se préparer!

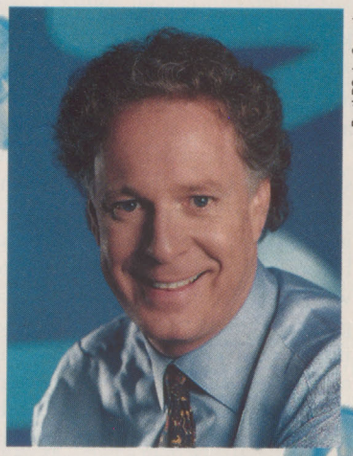
Outre le temps et le talent, il faut de l'indépendance de jugement et la capacité de travailler seul. Contrairement à ce qui se passait à l'école, il n'y a personne pour vous noter. Ce sont la vie, le marché et l'opinion publique qui vous jugent et aucun ministère n'a établi de grille d'évaluation standard. Vous n'aurez pas de superviseur pour vous organiser, vous dire quoi faire, ni d'administrateur pour faire cracher les mauvais payeurs. Les solutions ne se trouvent pas non plus dans le bureau d'à côté. Le café, vous le prenez seul avec vos pensées.

Vous devrez également développer, avec le temps, certaines qualités. Je les regroupe en cinq vertus scoutes. Les trois premières sont évidentes. Il faut de la patience (pour tenir le coup), de l'audace (pour frapper fort quand ça compte) et de la curiosité (pour rester allumé). Les deux autres, l'honnêteté et l'humilité, sont plus difficiles à comprendre.

L'honnêteté décrit la franchise dans les rapports, pas les dépenses injustifiées que vous passeriez à l'impôt ou au client. Vous faites erreur si vous croyez qu'être en affaires signifie être un requin. Ceux qui croient que tous les clients et tous leurs concurrents cherchent à les vampiriser sont cuits. Les clients s'attendent d'avoir l'heure juste sur vos projets, mais aussi sur vos difficultés. Vous ne comprenez pas la commande? Vous craignez de ne pouvoir respecter la date de tombée? Dites-le. Vous ne durerez pas si, par manque d'honnêteté, vous développez une mentalité d'assiégé.

L'humilité vous sera fort utile si vous n'avez pas toutes les autres vertus. Cette qualité mal comprise ne décrit pas la soumission ou la servilité. Mère Teresa est capable d'amasser des millions de dollars pour sa cause, ce qui ne l'empêche pas d'être humble. Il n'y a pas de contradiction entre l'humilité et la capacité de se vendre. L'humilité est dans le travail. L'apprentissage est toujours plus long qu'il n'y paraît.

Avant d'accuser les autres, peut-être avez-vous mal compris ou mal négocié la commande, mal fouillé, mal corrigé. Les réflexes d'indignation à la Castafiore sont néfastes. Pour un journaliste, la pire chose à dire, c'est: «Je n'ai pas besoin d'être corrigé, je gagne des prix.» Une telle attitude vous perdra, à moins que vous ne soyez la réincarnation de Victor Hugo. Faites comme si vous n'étiez pas un génie – c'est ça, l'humilité –, ce qui ne vous empêche pas d'affirmer que votre idée est géniale si vous pouvez le démontrer. L'humilité, c'est d'accepter qu'elle est tout juste bonne.



Parti PC du Canada

Jean Charest

Les travailleurs autonomes qui blâment toujours les autres pour leurs difficultés ne vont pas loin, tout simplement parce qu'ils ne comprennent pas leur nouveau rôle. Si vous trouvez les patrons injustes, vous êtes, malheureusement, obligé de vous inclure dans le nombre.

Le Guide du travailleur autonome, de Jean Benoît Nadeau, publié aux Éditions Québec/Amérique. Adaptation par l'auteur.

English Synopsis: Know Thyself

Montreal freelance journalist Jean Benoit Nadeau, BA'92, became self-employed twice – first by necessity and later by choice, when he refused job offers. In this adaptation from his recent book, Le guide du travailleur autonome, *he argues in the current job market people must think of themselves as businesses offering a service rather than as mere job seekers. As a self-employed person, you have no job, no boss, and no salary, but instead work, clients, and revenue. Subordination is over: you're in charge. For most beginners, this conceptual change is difficult as we have all grown up in a system where a job is a goal in itself – a rather recent historical phenomenon, he contends. Referring to Socrates' maxim "know thyself," the author says that self-employment requires profound self-understanding because not everyone is cut out for the task. Self employment requires talent, time to learn, judgment, independence of mind, and solid moral qualities, like honesty and humility. And if you used to find bosses unfair, he says, too bad. You've become one of them – by necessity or by choice.*

The day before I left Ethiopia, a well-meaning friend asked if I had a yellow fever certificate for Ifrah. Yellow fever? There isn't any yellow fever within 1,000 kilometres of where we had been living, in the semi-desert plain on the edge of the Ethiopian highlands, next to the neighbouring countries of Somalia and Djibouti.

But how could I have been so stupid? I know Immigration requires certification of yellow fever immunization from many countries, and Ethiopia is one of them – even if we were a five-day voyage from yellow fever area. And I'm a doctor, for heaven's sake! After all the anxiety, adrenaline, and crossing of every conceivable bureaucratic "t," my newly adopted daughter might be refused entry into Canada because yellow fever had never even occurred to me. Malaria, dysentery, typhoid, murder, traffic accidents, kidnapping, hijacking, civil war, fuel shortages – yes. Not yellow fever.

Okay, take a deep breath, try not to panic. Try to get Dr. Koki, the wonderful pediatrician with the Organization of African Unity, to write a letter of medical exemption, with as many stamps and seals as possible – by three o'clock this afternoon. By the skin of our teeth we made it.

Since I set foot in Ethiopia, my life has been lived by the skin of my teeth, or the seat of my pants. The Muslim expressions I initially learned out of politeness – *Insha Allah* (God willing!) and *al Hamdu Lillaahi* (Thanks be to God) – have become frequent and heartfelt. And to think two years ago, I was Ms. Independence. Oh, I was spontaneous and easy-going, sort of, but a control freak nevertheless, accomplishing impressive amounts of work by juggling 20 tasks with the assumption that the bottleneck was my will or lack of it. I was rather unpleasantly disabused of this notion in the early weeks of my doctoral fieldwork in Ethiopia, where it became painfully clear that I was in control of absolutely nothing – not my schedule (despite a research protocol of which I was quite proud), not transport, not even my research questions, which could be dismissed as uninteresting by the people I was desperately interested to learn about. And to this I have to say *al Hamdu Lillaahi*, or Thanks be to God, because when I offered to take home a severely malnourished baby for a couple of weeks' intensive

"I went to Ethiopia to listen and observe. But when one family showed me a dying baby, I was confronted with the dilemma of being a doctor who should intervene, and an anthropologist who should not."

by Christina Zarowsky

Ifrah's Story

feeding, it was just another change to my Proposed Schedule of Field Research Activities. Except that now I'm her mother.

Anthropology is the study of humanity, its societies and cultures. Working as a doctor over the years led me to believe that knowledge of anthropology could help me treat my diverse patients – whether miners from northern Ontario or African refugees. I had been trying to treat a number of Somali refugees new to Canada, and often felt stymied. My patients often complained about leg pains, but I could find nothing wrong. Clearly something else was going on. I had become increasingly interested in cultural expressions of distress. Headaches and ulcers for North Americans, leg pains for Somalis? Clearly, the Somalis were not fitting into the standard Canadian model of "health beliefs and practices" and were not so well received in Canadian society, either.

Tens of thousands of Somalis had arrived in Ottawa and Toronto after 1990, fleeing the Somali civil war and famine. Although Canadians see themselves as generous – with justification – this generosity did not prevent the familiar tensions following large influxes of highly visible immigrants during hard economic times. Add to this an unspoken but pervasive expectation that refugees should be grateful (and quiet), and problems could be predicted. Somalis are not obsequious. Islam in their culture teaches that there is no shame in demanding assistance from the more fortunate – wealth and poverty alike are in the hands of Allah, though everyone is expected to work if they are able. This clash of values and cultural styles, as well as coping strategies (such as getting as many ID cards as possible) which made eminent sense in a corrupt and unpredictable regime – but were unacceptable in Canada – led to mutual distrust and stereotyping.

I decided the experience of Somali refugees would be an interesting PhD topic, and came to McGill to work with anthropologist Allan Young. I spent the summer of 1995 and most of 1996 researching Somali refugees in Ethiopia. During the course of my work, I met a man who lived through the 1977 war between Somalia and Ethiopia. He was a refugee, and worked with an organization to improve the living conditions of his fellow returnees, former refugees who had returned "home" to lands which still remained in the hands of the Ethiopian government. The former government of Mengistu Haile Mariam had confiscated these lands for a military base in the aftermath of the war, and the new government which replaced his dictatorship had promised restitution. On the strength of these promises,

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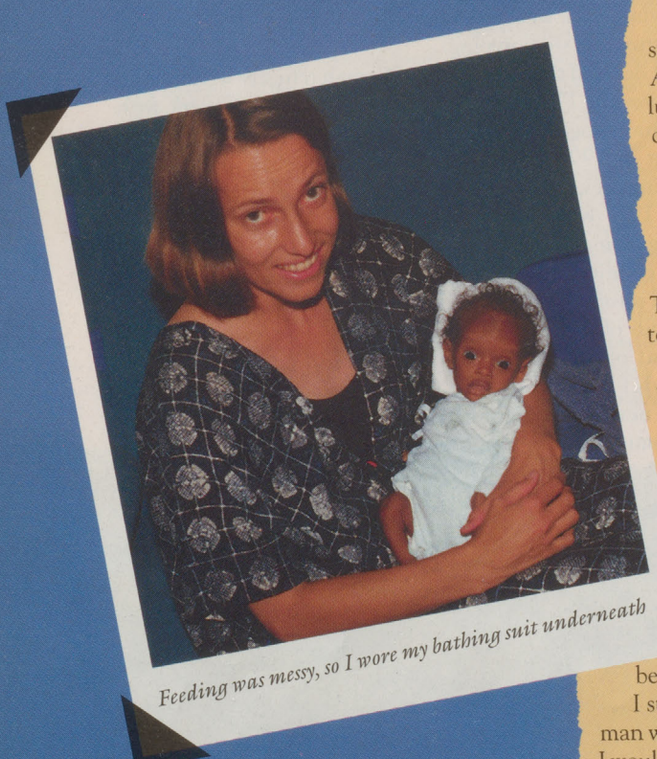

Feeding was messy, so I wore my bathing suit underneath

Ethiopian Somalis, along with hundreds of thousands of other refugees, returned home and were trying to recreate their lives. This man's family would be one source of knowledge about "the refugee experience" which I hoped would fill in the gaps left by lar-ger scale political science and highly individual psychological approaches to refugee studies. I didn't suspect I would become more a participant than an observer.

Meeting Ifrah

On my second visit to this man's family home, the grandmother brought out a swaddled infant who was not well. I learned that the two-month-old girl was suffering from diarrhea and the grandmother thought it might be from her diet of goat's milk. A trial of "sugar water" did not seem to help, so the grandmother offered black tea, a traditional remedy for diarrhea. The baby was now malnourished and dehydrated. I volunteered to buy some formula – which was prohibitively expensive for the family. I'd always been dead set against formula because it is aggressively marketed and here I was, buying it – Nestlé, to boot, after years of supporting boycotts. Breast milk is best for babies. But this baby had no mother, and no other woman offered to breastfeed her. I found out later that her mother, Dehabo, had bled to death after giving birth. The baby had come to live in this house, the house of her uncle, because the grandmother volunteered to take care of her. The uncle named the baby "Ifrah," an Arabic name meaning, literally, "be happy," and for Somalis meaning "she is happy," "she brings joy" or "something wonderful you find."

Ifrah initially did well, but after a few weeks she began the downward spiral of diarrhea and malnutrition so common in poor countries. Although her uncle was considerably wealthier than her father, in absolute terms this was a poor family. The parents, the grandmother, six children, and now a foster child were living in a two-room house with no well or tap water. When I returned with the formula, the baby was in the care of the 12-year-old daughter. We went through the procedures of sterilizing the bottle and the water and preparing the formula. I left, not feeling too confident. Clean water was not readily available. The family cooked over a small fire of twigs and dried eucalyptus leaves. They had only one bottle, and no refrigerator. It was a recipe for disaster, but I thought maybe the child would get enough calories to recover.

On my next visit I discovered that the family had given up hope and was waiting for Ifrah to die. I asked to see her, and was confronted with the dilemma of being a doctor who should intervene, and an anthropologist who should not. It was clear that Ifrah was on the verge of death from malnutrition and dehydration. It was also quite clear that for this family to save this infant would be equivalent to the most heroic efforts in a North American teaching hospital. I reminded the women that I was a doctor and that I had access to medicine, water, food, and money. I said that if it was Allah's will that Ifrah die, then she would die, but if Allah wished maybe she would live; if they wanted me to, I could take her to town for a few days to see if anything more could be done. They agreed.

I still ask myself why I got involved. Shortly after I arrived in Ethiopia, a man was shot and killed in front of me and I didn't help – my companions said I would be taken for a journalist and that would put us all in danger. Was I compensating by helping this dying baby? At the time I offered to take her to my room, it seemed a simple medical decision. But I had seen and ignored hundreds of beggars in my months in Ethiopia. The difference was that with Ifrah and her family, I couldn't pretend not to notice. All the tactics we use to avoid seeing – look down, avoid eye contact, or tell yourself "it's no use," or "help just perpetu-

ates poverty," that the real solution is "development" or "revolution" – all were useless to me here. Simply put, since I knew this family, I felt obligated. Since I felt obligated, I *was* obligated. Both emotion and reason motivated me.

I returned to my lodgings, dropped my research, and fed the baby every two to three hours. It was a painstaking process: by this point she was so severely malnourished it took an hour to take just 10 or 15 millilitres of formula. I desperately wanted to make her eat as much as possible – at two and a half months she weighed 5 1/2 pounds. With severe malnutrition babies lose their appetite and must literally be force-fed – but not too much, or they will vomit. Which she did, wracking her tiny bony body and leaving me in tears of frustration and remorse.

I thought she would die on that first night. She didn't, and after a few days it seemed that the worst danger was past. But round-the-clock feedings and diaper changes continued, with me hand-washing the diapers while she slept. (My sister knew exactly which environmental button to push when she suggested disposable diapers and asked, "Besides, doesn't that country have a water shortage?" But on my budget, $35 for a package of diapers was out of the question.) On the seventh day, Ifrah looked at me and smiled. From that point our relationship changed from doctor-patient into something else altogether. It was only when she first truly yelled – finally demanding life and attention – that I was lost.

After two weeks, a friend asked me what I planned to do. I'd been too busy and too overwhelmed with her care to think about the future, although I was beginning to have nagging doubts that the family wanted to take the baby back. The friend suggested I look into adoption, and to see whether another Somali or foreign family could take her, or even whether I could – if it came to that.

The first family

While investigating adoption, I began to find out more about Ifrah's beginnings, and how she ended up in my care. Ifrah's father, Abdullahi, was left with five children after the death of his wife. (Five others had died while the family was refugees in Djibouti.) He had lost his land to a military base during the Ethiopian-Somali war in the late seventies, and was supporting his family by gathering firewood – one step above begging in the local scheme of things. The death of his wife made painfully obvious how limited the actual "employment income" of such a man was: the family had survived because of credit and meal-by-meal support from other women, a network that a man could not access.

The death of Dehabo made clear a fundamental assumption in Somali society: men cannot raise children alone. According to Islam, fathers are required to provide for their families, but care of infants is a mother's responsibility. In case of a mother's death, the next best caregiver for a child is the mother's mother, and then other close relatives of the mother, and thirdly, relatives of the father. Other options are not usually in the repertoire. It is almost unheard of for Somalis to give infants up for adoption. In this case, there were no maternal surviving relatives. Instead, the children went to live with various women relatives on the father's side, in Ifrah's case with the father's half-brother's mother.

The Negotiation

After I had cared for Ifrah for a few weeks, it became clear that this was not a simple case of a foreign doctor treating a child and returning her. A complicated and largely oblique negotiation process went on between me, the uncle, the women, the com-

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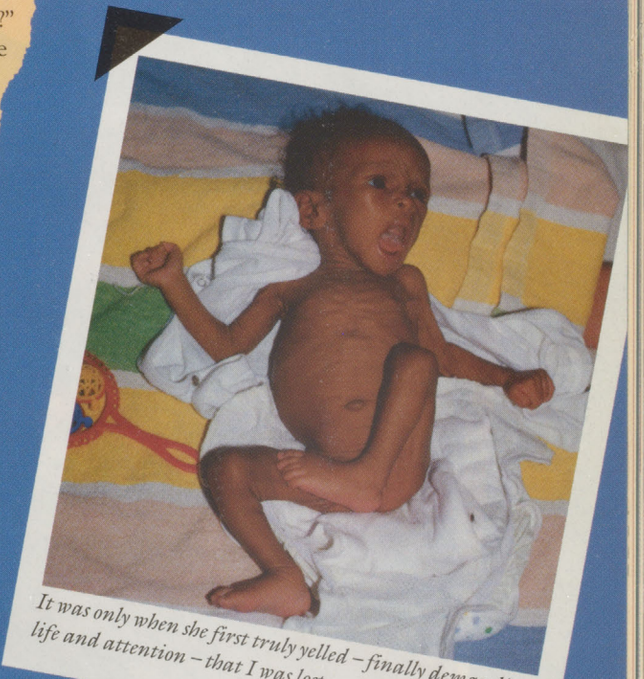

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munity, other Somalis, Ethiopians and foreigners. At issue was whether Ifrah would return to her uncle's home when she was well or whether the uncle would pass her care on to a third party, temporarily or permanently. My position was that I came to Ethiopia to do research, not to adopt a baby, and that she should return to relatives. I was attached to her, but disliked the cultural imperialism which is often part of international adoption – the idea that poor children should be rescued from ignorance and poverty (in that order) and raised in "good homes" abroad. My overwhelming experience was that Somali children are poor, but they are well loved and cared for.

But someone needed to care for Ifrah, and no one stepped forward. The family stayed away from us. ("We didn't want you to think we didn't trust you and were checking up on you while you were treating her" was the explanation offered by the uncle; "They didn't want you to think they wanted her back" was the explanation offered by others.)

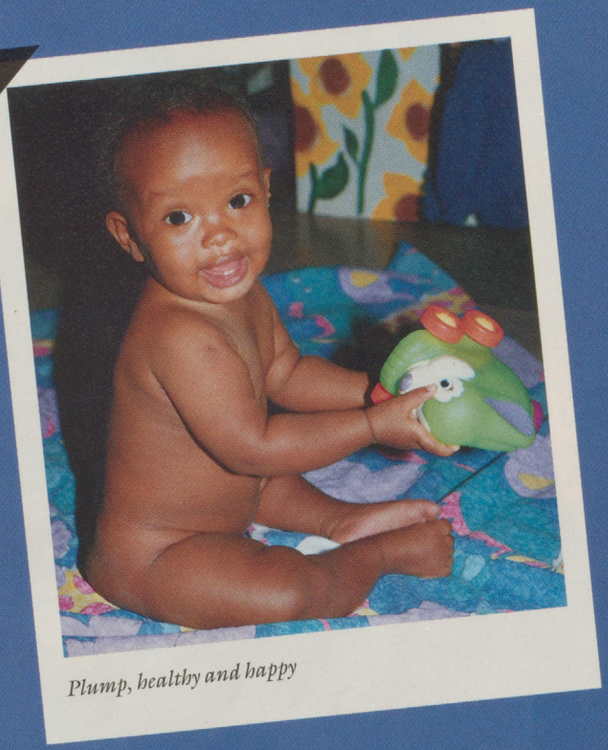
The family began to say that I was the mother since Ifrah knew me, and so on. Gradually, I, too, became convinced that I was morally and emotionally obliged to act as the mother. But it was still not clear what the family wanted. The uncle had not said or signed anything, and despite the messages passed through the grandmother, the aunt, and other relatives, the bottom line was, as the grandmother put it, "We can't decide anything; the men decide."

The *Shir*

After a month, I was advised to insist on a *shir*, a public meeting of clan elders and other interested men, to set the matter straight in public. There was a conflict between two opposing viewpoints within the community.

One position was that the uncle's family had taken this child in because kinship rules required that they do so, that they had done all they could for her, that she had been on the verge of death, that no one else had offered to help, and that I was clearly sent by God to rescue her from the fate of a hard life in Ethiopia. The other position was that it was unthinkable for the larger clan family not to be able to take care of one of its own, and especially unthinkable to offer her to an infidel, albeit one "who understands what humanity is" and who "would be rewarded by God." Although the uncle tried to insist that this was a private matter, there was already confusion within the community. Some suspected me of trying to steal a Somali Muslim child, whether I kept her or facilitated her adoption by someone else.

The *shir* was held in a simple house with participants sitting on mats. I was able to attend as doctor, therefore an honorary male. It was both highly stylized and quite informal, and though less than a dozen men attended its two sessions, the shir represents a community consensus and obligation.



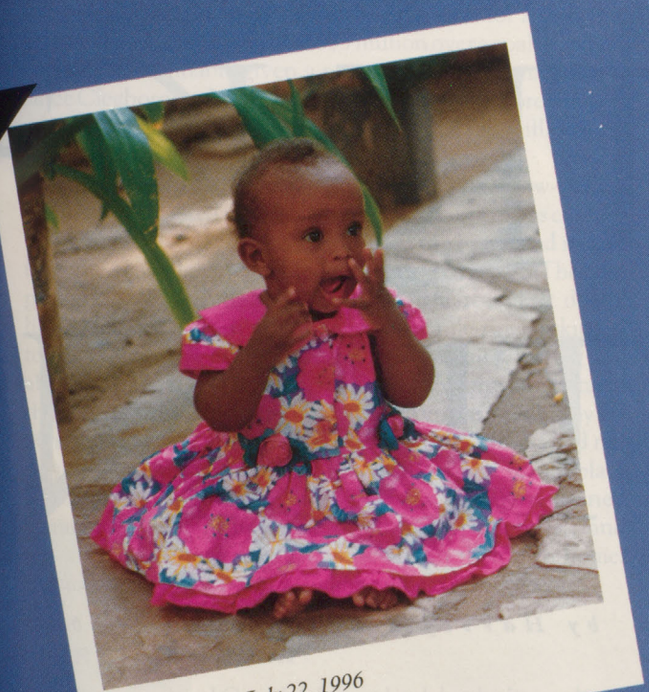
Plump, healthy and happy

Ifrah with her cousin in her birth village

The conclusion was that Ifrah would return to her uncle's family, that this had always been the family's intention – although it was regrettable that Ifrah would not have the benefits of a "European" life – and that the entire clan was now responsible for her welfare. This conclusion was reached with very little argument, indicating the ideology that taking care of a child is a matter of clan, Somali and Muslim honour. Ifrah was to remain in my home as a sort of rehabilitation centre until she had gained enough weight to have a reasonable chance of surviving the next inevitable infection, but a woman from the household would come to look after her there.

It's hard to remember how I felt then. It was all a bit unreal – the month had gone by in a haze of fatigue, anxiety, and falling in love. I felt at peace, that the right thing had been done, and that perhaps I could be an indulgent aunt for this child. I felt that nothing had changed because Ifrah would still live with me. I had never fully absorbed the possibility of actually becoming her mother, nor of actually giving her back, which meant fully accepting that she would be raised according to their ways and not mine, and that she would have a 20 percent chance of dying before her fifth birthday. I did know that I had to start letting go, and wrote an academic paper, entitled "Where There is No Mother: Gender, Love and Duty in a Somali Child's Survival," as the obvious way a would-be scholar would let go. I still hope to have the paper published, but if it were accepted now, I'd have to write a different ending.

Ifrah stayed with me after all. No female relative stepped forward to take care of her. Over the next five months, I travelled frequently to Ifrah's birth village to continue my research and to talk with her father about adoption. Villagers were also anxious to see the child, whom they knew only as a newborn at the time of her father's devastation over his wife's death. I was afraid. What if they changed their minds and wanted her back? They were delighted at how well Ifrah was doing: plump, healthy and happy. I didn't want to give her up, but in my mind the issue was still ethically complicated. After exploring many options, including adoption by another Somali family, we concluded the best option was for me to adopt her. On July 22, 1996, I legally became Ifrah's mother.



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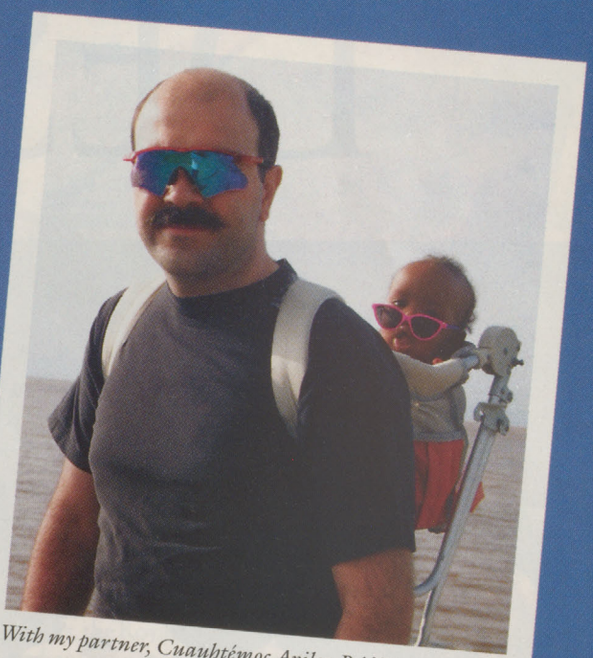

With my partner, Cuauhtémoc Aviles, BA'86, MA'91

Now we've survived our first winter together in Montreal, commuting to Ottawa two days a week for work, trying to write a dissertation, and together with my partner, becoming a family with roots extending to Ukraine, Argentina, Ethiopia, Somalia and Canada. Still learning on the fly, by the seat of our pants. *Al Hamdu Lillaahi.*

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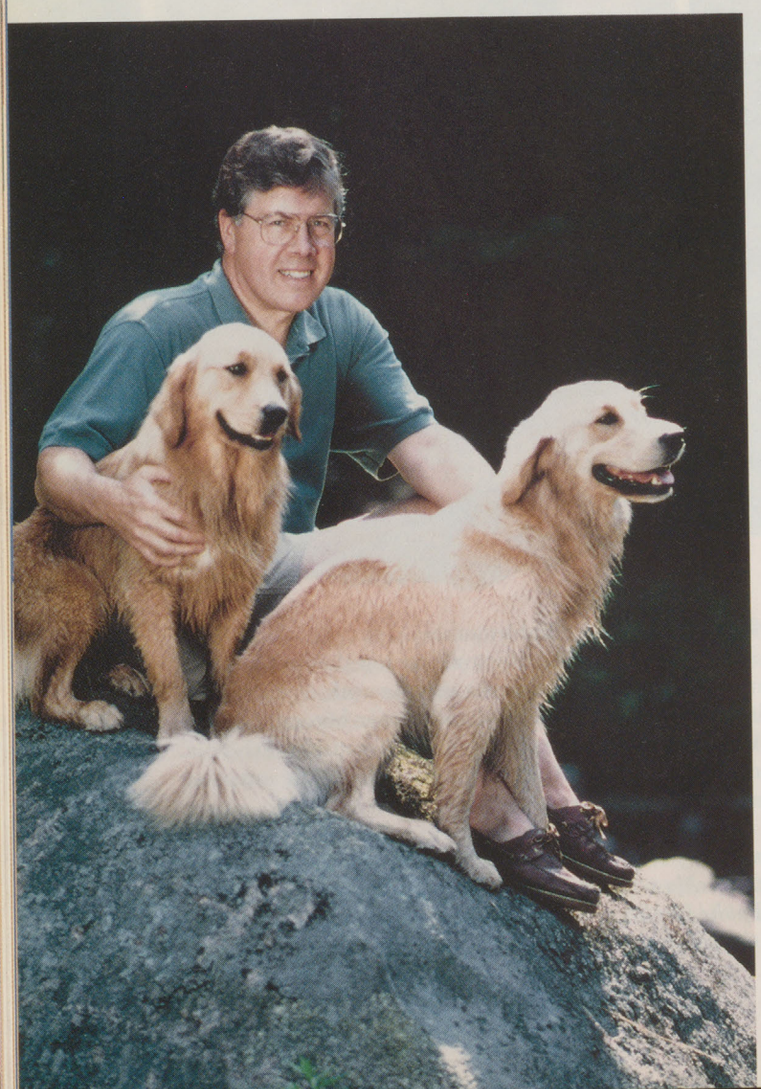
CLEGHORN & *Creative* DESTRUCTION



by Harvey Schachter, BCom'68

JOHN CLEGHORN DOESN'T LIKE TO COME SECOND. BUT IT TAKES MORE THAN A PLOW'EM DOWN FOOTBALL MENTALITY TO LEAD CANADA'S MOST PROFITABLE BANK. INDEED, CLEGHORN HEEDS THE IDEA OF CREATIVE DESTRUCTION – THAT IS, INNOVATE OR BE DESTROYED.

Left: John Cleghorn relaxing with his dogs in Quebec
Opposite: Weekends are for physical work

The most important thing to understand about John Cleghorn is that he is still, at heart, the centre of his college football team. Centres aren't glamorous. They don't score the fancy touchdowns or throw the game-winning long bombs. Nobody remembers their name. They line up over the ball, patiently await the signal, and then at the quarterback's command snap the ball back and lunge head-first into the competition, in unison with their linemates.

John Cleghorn, BCom'62, was part of the fabled 1960 McGill team that won the national championship under star quarterback Tom Skypeck, DDS'63. The team was runner-up the next year. The fiercely competitive Cleghorn doesn't intend to finish second again. As chairman of McGill's recent fundraising campaign, he raised the most ever for a Canadian university, $205 million – some $5 million over a goal that many thought unattainable given a recession and referendum. And since Cleghorn took the helm of the Royal Bank more than two years ago, he has led the bank to profits of $1.43 billion – the highest ever recorded by a Canadian company.

His style remains the same as in his college days: low-key, disciplined, and rooted in team. But one major aspect has changed from those quiet days on the gridiron in the past – and indeed, from the equivalently quiet banking days in the past. The competition isn't carefully scheduled and demarcated. It doesn't line up genteelly, waiting for a supervised, rule-ridden skirmish to begin. It swoops in from unexpected directions, hitting from all sides. Indeed, even the terrain is shifting: the bank branch that has traditionally been central to operations is now only one of many fields of simultaneous combat, as new players and new ways of banking shake up the financial services marketplace. The idea of "bankers' hours" has been solidly redefined. Canadians now bank by phone, through computer lines, standing in the street at bank machines, and in their own homes. Doctors don't make house calls any more; bankers do.

Heretical talk

Cleghorn may head Canada's largest bank but he knows better than anybody how fragile that position is. Global competition means it will be difficult to defend the championship in coming seasons. When Cleghorn joined The Royal Bank of Canada in 1974, it was the second largest bank in North America and the 12th largest in the world. Today, it's the sixth largest in North America and 65th in the world. Still, the newly-named "Royal Bank" makes 30 percent of its profits outside of Canada. Cleghorn believes the key to success is innovation, both in Canada and abroad.

Royal Bank's 55-year-old Chairman and CEO is a measured thinker who repeatedly laces his talk with references to Joseph Schumpeter, an economist known for his theory of creative destruction. Schumpeter believed that innovation and invention was key to an upswing in the business cycle, but it also meant destruction for others who couldn't adapt. The Austrian economist was also president of the Biedermann Bank, which went bankrupt in 1926. From this lesson of history, Cleghorn knows that large companies can go belly-up in surprisingly short order if they fail to address new forms of competition. The Royal Bank cycle of creative destruction means bank branches will be fewer, bank tellers will be fewer, but marketing, sales and technology people will be more in demand. Cleghorn believes his bank, in particular, has had a tendency to be a slave to tradition. "Our toughest competitor is complacency. You have to constantly move against it," he says.

That's unusual, if not heretical, talk at the Royal which has been Canada's largest bank for 70 years. Through that period, this Canadian landmark has often seemed as inpenetrable as its marble temples erected in early days. As one of Canada's six chartered banks, the Royal Bank has enjoyed special protection under Canadian law, a monopoly which gave Canadians stable banks and protection of deposits up to $60,000.

But in the late eighties, the four pillars of the financial world – banks, trust companies, insurance firms and brokerage houses – began to merge. The Royal and other banks responded to deregulation with record profits – textbook corporate success which created resentment on the part of many Canadians. For his part, Cleghorn argues that the banks are good employers, and that Canadians with mutual funds and pension funds invested in banks reap the profits. Banks give out millions in charitable donations. He also believes banks pay more than their fair share of taxes. Because of public acrimony, the financial services industry is the highest taxed sector of the Canadian economy. The Royal Bank paid $1.34 billion in taxes last year, leaving $1.43 billion in (after tax) profit. At a Canadian Club speech in Montreal, Cleghorn also defended service charges. "Seniors and youth don't pay fees, and some 40 percent of our customers don't pay fees for basic services. And Canadian service charges are 50 percent less than in the United States."

Creative destruction, steadily

Since taking the helm of the bank, after serving impatiently for eight years as heir apparent, Cleghorn has been shaking up the bank in his quiet, disciplined and determined way. He doesn't draw the headlines of a Matthew Barrett, the flashy quarterback of the Bank of Montreal. But Cleghorn's fans say that he doesn't take a back seat to Barrett or other bank CEOs in activism or intellect, even if in the salary race he does, oddly ranking fifth, his $2.57 million compensation last year falling $1.3 million behind Barrett's. The official explanation is that salaries are set by tenure; Cleghorn is the most recent of the bank chairmen so his salary is lower. The CEO's salary is set by the bank's board. "He's not as greedy," avows one of his Royal colleagues.

He is careful to avoid that impression. John Cleghorn's first step was to hack away at the imperial veneer and heighten cost-consciousness in the bank. He started in his own Toronto office, stripping off the intimidating wood panelling in the executive offices and ripping out walls to make the chairman's palatial offices more modest. He also shut down the executive dining room, ended the practice of having an in-house barber, sold off the corporate Challenger jet and eliminated executive limousines, including his own. He travels to work by subway, cab, or his own car (a Chrysler in Toronto, an Explorer in Montreal: modest by bank CEO standards), and flies economy class, insisting it is an excellent way to meet the bank's customers.

In some ways, those efforts simply reflect the man. But the economy drive also has a compelling business reason. The Royal has always been a high-cost operator and in an era when expenses threaten to escalate even higher – to fund technology and a more skilled, better paid work force – Cleghorn was determined to strike early and point out that nothing was sacred. He managed to hold expenses stable his first year in office, although last year they rose to accommodate the blizzard of new electronic delivery channels the bank is rushing on stream and the high commissions during a spectacular year at its investment dealer, RBC Dominion Securities Inc. Donna Toth, the director of financial services and equity research for Scotia Capital Markets, notes that although Cleghorn hasn't improved the efficiency ratio (the ratio of expenses to profits), he has taken the lead amongst bankers and has spread the message effectively. "If you talk to a branch manager, he will know the chairman flies economy. It's not so much the money saved as the message sent to the troops," she says.

One of Cleghorn's toughest challenges has been integrating the new, more risk-taking culture from the investment enterprises with the more clubby bankers who earn fixed salaries, not commissions. This is particularly critical as new branches are being opened with people from the bank, brokerage and corporate investment areas working side-by-side, bringing together different work styles and, more importantly, reward structures.

"It has been very difficult to reward stars in the bank because of the egalitarian spirit," says Jim Walz, senior vice-president of strategic development, noting that traditionally everyone at a certain level in the bank has been paid the same. "In the investment banking community, stars are rewarded very well and if you're an average performer you're gone." Employees are now rewarded for referring work to other parts of the bank, something not traditionally recognized.

Although Cleghorn oversees the new star system, he shuns personal publicity, feeling it detracts from the teamwork necessary for competitive success – teamwork that was exemplified on the Molson Stadium playing field.

The early years

Cleghorn's mother, Hazel Dunham, was a well-known dietitian at the Montreal General Hospital and acted in local plays. His father, Ned, whose work alternated between accounting and art until he combined both as associate director of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, prepared the sets for those plays. As a result, Cleghorn is a lover and patron of the arts, though most people are more aware of his football prowess.

"He had a great temperament," recalls his former coach, Bruce Coulter. "He was even-tempered but intense." Cleghorn met his wife, Pattie Hart, DipEd'62, during a Christmas ski break in the Laurentians. "She was on one end of the table, I was on the other, and some people said, 'Hey, why don't you two sit together?'" They have been married for 34 years.

After his McGill football career, the 220-pound, 6-foot-2 Cleghorn was drafted by the Toronto Argonauts but wisely knew how to play to his strengths. The Argos regular centre was All Canadian and Cleghorn figured he would provide bench strength. Instead, he articled at Clarkson Gordon and became a chartered accountant. He studied for the CA exams at a Quebec monastery with classmate, Richard Pound, BCom'62, BCL'67, the Olympic swimmer who went on to become vice-president of the International Olympic Committee and is now chairman of McGill's Board of Governors. Pound recalls one of Cleghorn's formidable strengths, which showed itself early: "You learn with your ears open and your mouth shut. John always listened." After working briefly as a sugar futures trader with St. Lawrence Sugar, Cleghorn joined the Mercantile Bank, which Citibank had just purchased from Dutch interests and which he thought might be

an avenue to international work. The interest stemmed in part from a friendship with an Argentinian classmate, Guillermo (Bill) Murchison, BCom'63. The two had shared a cottage when their children were young and had been married on the same day on separate continents. ("I never wanted to work for a bank, but I did want to work at something international," says Cleghorn, the man who granted loans to his children for university and required repayment with interest.) The Mercantile didn't have a ponderous training program like Canadian banks, so Cleghorn rose faster in the organization than he might have with a native bank, becoming Winnipeg branch manager at age 28 and then being appointed Western regional vice-president in his early thirties. American banks were also more marketing-oriented and that too rubbed off on the new initiate. In 1974, however, he changed directions. International work beckoned, but working for the American-owned bank in the west, visiting historic sites with his young family, had ironically turned him into a deep nationalist and he wanted to remain in Canada. "I wanted my Shangri-la, if I did well, to be Montreal, Toronto, or Vancouver, not necessarily New York," he says.

A chance encounter with a friend from the Royal led to a job, although it meant a 10 percent pay cut and, as he puts it, donning monk's clothing for two years as the bank carefully groomed him in its practices. It was the first of several periods of impatience that friends recount, notably the eight years spent as president of the bank. "I have always been impatient," he admits. "I'm competitive. I thought there were things we could do better and I could help."

Pattie and John enjoy their garden in the Eastern Townships

Robert Winsor, BEng'62, a friend since Redmen days, persuaded Cleghorn to hang in at the bank a decade ago, when he was worried he wouldn't make it to the top. To Winsor, president of IEC-Holden Inc., Cleghorn showed himself early. "He was always the leader," Winsor recalls. But the skill Winsor felt was most remarkable was the ability to focus on people he meets, induce them to open up, and a year later to remember the details of the conversation. "You're born with that skill," Winsor says. "He never trained himself. It's natural. I remember telling him it transcends math, financial and other skills."

MONTRÉAL, MA VILLE

Cleghorn is fiercely loyal to his roots. Montreal, his birthplace, remains an anchor in his life and the various boards he serves on all trace back to his youth.

With most of the bank's executive functions in Toronto, Cleghorn owns a home in the Rosedale area, but also retains a 50-acre country place in Quebec's Eastern Townships, where the couple can be found many weekends with their two golden retrievers. Two of the three Cleghorn children went to Bishop's University in Lennoxville, Quebec, and their father was chairman of its $10 million campaign. He is now Chancellor of Sir Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Ontario.

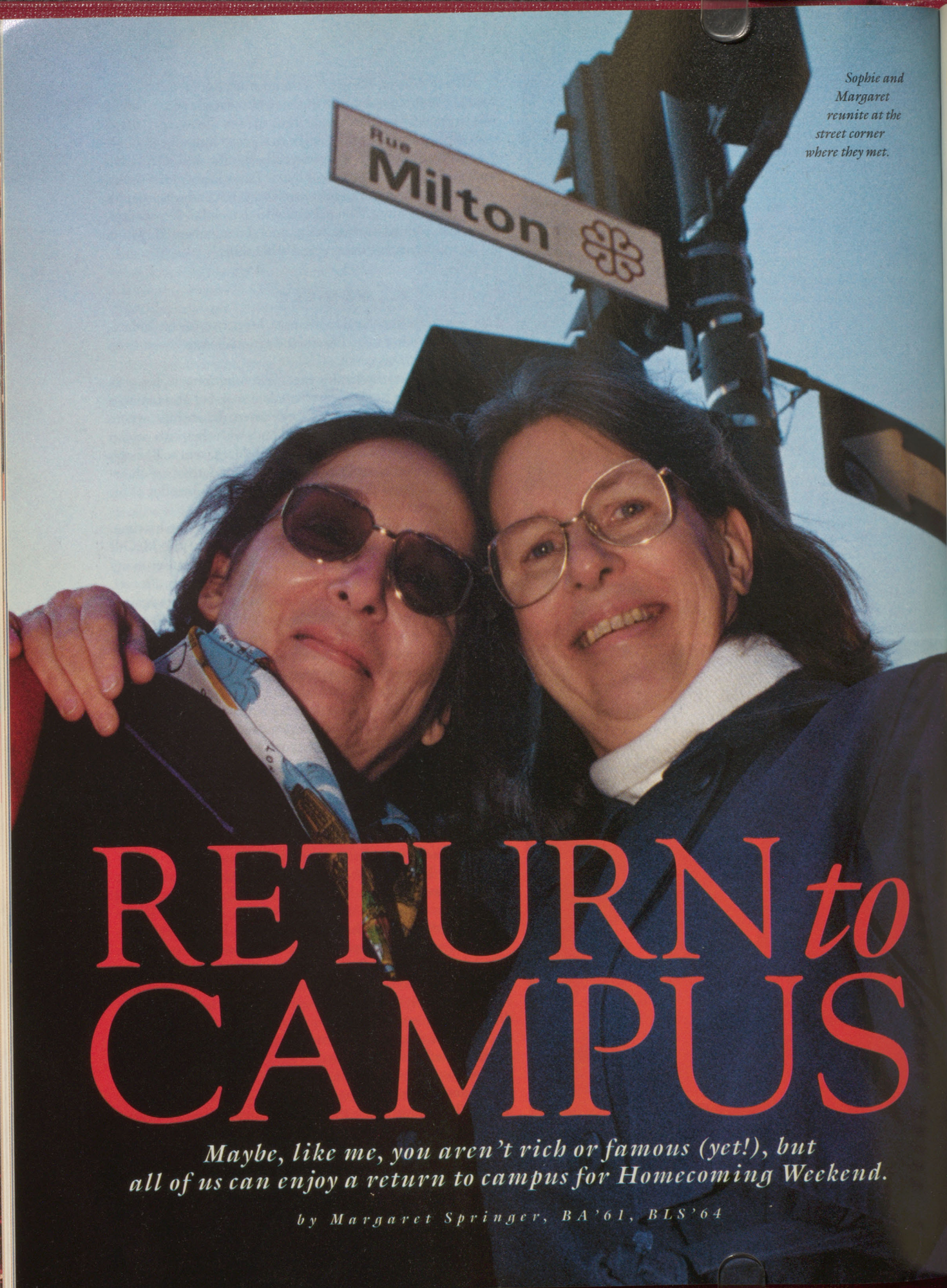
But it is McGill which has made the greatest call on his time. In 1991, Cleghorn was recruited as chairman of the McGill Twenty-First Century Fund campaign. From the outset many privately considered the goal unattainable. There was, after all, the slumping Montreal economy, and a razor-thin vote against Quebec separation in the 1995 referendum.

How could McGill succeed with an ill-timed fundraising campaign, an endeavour normally fuelled by optimism and stability. The answer, in large part, was due to Cleghorn. He remained cool and committed despite the serious illness of his wife, Pattie, who developed diabetes at the same time, underwent surgery and had a lung removed. And when the campaign stalled $30 million short of its goal with six months to go, Cleghorn persuaded Principal Bernard Shapiro to extend the contracts of campaign staff, then cleared his schedule to visit various foundations and donors himself. Even in-your-face insults didn't stop him. When Cleghorn flew to New York to meet a graduate tycoon about a donation to McGill, he was stood up. But many others opened their doors.

On the May 1, 1996, deadline, Cleghorn announced the campaign was over goal. Meanwhile, the Royal Bank prospered and Pattie recovered. During this time, John and Pattie Cleghorn established the Pattie Cleghorn Fund in Diabetes Research at the Polypeptide Hormone Laboratory at McGill. The laboratory, led by Dr. Barry Posner, is working to develop a form of insulin that can be taken orally, instead of by injection.

Cleghorn says his wife's illness was a sobering reminder of life's fragility and he jealously guards their health and time together. He doesn't plan to retire in the CEO job but to move on before he's stale. And then? "Time," he says wistfully. "Time to read history. More time for the family. Maybe something in the community or helping companies." Part way through his tenure, John Cleghorn is the archetypal football centre whose steady, determined hand is guided by the lessons of history, of crushing defeats, and great triumphs.

In gratitude for his dedication, McGill created a $1.5 million John Cleghorn Chair in Management Studies, currently held by Henry Mintzberg.



Sophie and Margaret reunite at the street corner where they met.

RETURN *to* CAMPUS

Maybe, like me, you aren't rich or famous (yet!), but all of us can enjoy a return to campus for Homecoming Weekend.

by Margaret Springer, BA'61, BLS'64

There are so many of us out there – McGill grads from years past, but not ancient enough or rich enough or famous enough to be featured in the *McGill News*. We may have long since left Montreal, for whatever reason, but we love and support McGill. We have fond memories of being ordinary students there.

Ordinary students. I thought about that as I rattled along in the train from Ontario to attend Homecoming '96, my first ever. The 175th Anniversary of McGill, the 35th of my BA. A time to celebrate something ordinary, I decided, as well as something special. My life at McGill began at the corner of Milton and University avenues one brisk September morning in 1958. Fresh from Grade 12 at Montreal High, I was entering second year. I nervously waited – and waited – on that corner to meet the upper year student who was to be my "big sister" and show me around.

Big sister never appeared; was she standing on some other corner? But someone else also was waiting for her, and we found each other. Sophie Szuszkowski, BA'61, BLS '65, MLS'71, and I became friends from that day forward, throughout our years at McGill.

Ordinary students. Living at home in Montreal, I commuted daily with so many others by crowded bus to and from the campus. In winter, frost glazed the bus windows, but I knew the route and every stop. If necessary, I could scratch a tiny hole and I'd know where I was by one glimpse of part of a building, or a tree or a store sign.

Sophie and I were not part of the residence or sorority crowd. Life beyond classes revolved around odds and ends of films and talks about social events and friends. The Psychology Club, Christian Fellowship, McGill-Queen's football games.

We ordinary students filled the huge classes, read the *McGill Daily* (then showing its first quivers of radicalism) while waiting for lectures to begin, and lived within a tight budget. In upper years our classes were smaller, often around a table. It seemed odd to find one's individual voice for the first time.

Ideas. Thoughts. How to think. How to express that.

So now I wander around the campus.

I smile at the same old Roddick Gates and Three Bares and green spaces. Nothing has changed, I decide, except that there's more ivy, and the Gingko tree is gone. I stand in the foyer of Moyse Hall and hear echoes of Dr. Hebb expounding on psychology, forbidding us to take notes. (It's okay to knit if we want to, he says, because it's all in the textbook, and he wants us to listen and think.)

A student comes by, leading a tour, so I tag along and follow them inside Moyse Hall. I blink. Now it's a spiffy theatre, with pink carpeting and full stage lighting. But in my mind's eye, I see a dark, dingy hall with rows of hard wooden seats and a lectern with a gowned professor. "A long time ago this used to be used as a lecture hall," the guide says. I nod.

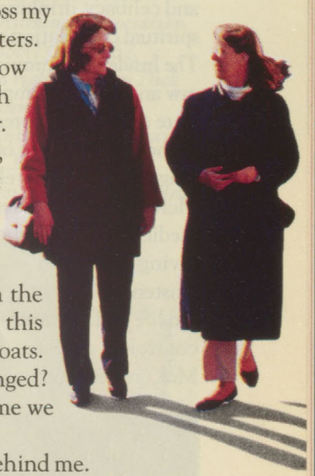
In this building I learned Spanish well enough to be told, "You speak with a Spanish accent," when I switched to French for my summer job. Here, *ad infinitum*, I parsed sentences and memorized vocabulary in Latin, and learned to love words. Here I studied – and managed to enjoy – 11 Shakespeare plays in one year.

In other buildings I avoided science (a regret ever since) by taking physical geography and learning about weather and land forms. I followed the 1960 U.S. Presidential race with my political science classmates week-by-week, and then day-to-day, to the final victory by John F. Kennedy. Sociology opened my eyes to people as groups.

I poke into the Redpath Library and remember the click of stiletto heels, the nylons and smart skirts and blouses. I smile at the sign inside: "Absolutely no roller blading allowed." In this building, after my BA, I went back to McGill for a library science degree. One day someone interrupted with "President Kennedy's been shot!" and we milled about outside in the courtyard. Later, when the news came that he was dead, flags in Montreal went up to half mast; we didn't fly flags much then.

In 1964, I became Librarian of the School of Library Science, then just entering the computer age. The organ pipes of Redpath Hall were directly through the wall from our little library, and when someone practiced on that organ, we heard it.

More than that, we felt it. (I still like organ music despite, or perhaps because of, that). I wander through the Open House tents and displays and crowds, thinking of yesterday, enjoying today but also looking forward to tomorrow. That something special. Sophie. We had gradually lost touch after I moved to Ontario in 1966, but recently she had come across my name and address at work, in a directory of writers. We eventually connected by electronic mail. How about meeting again in person at the 175th Anniversary Homecoming? we asked each other.



She was working on the Friday and Saturday, but we could meet in Place d'Armes at the start of the Walking Tour of Old Montreal. "I'll wear my raincoat," I wrote. Sunday morning. I feel as nervous as I did on that street corner my first day at McGill. It's cold and blustery as I walk from the Metro station toward Place d'Armes. Half of this McGill crowd seems to be wearing navy raincoats. Will I know her? Has she changed? Have I changed? Will we have anything in common? The last time we saw each other was more than 30 years ago.

"This must be Margaret," a voice says from behind me.

I know that voice immediately. Smiling, we stare at each other for a moment, then hug. "I would have known you anywhere," we both say.

The tour is wonderful, and our little bits of chat embroider the edges. Outside Gibby's we ask someone to take our picture. Then we leave the rest of the group to have their special McGill brunch. We head for the Café St. Paul, and our own special meal. Two hours of talk, and catching up, and laughter. It is as if nothing has changed. Thirty years dissolve. So we are out there. Ordinary students each with our own stories. Most of us will never be McGill's famous sons and daughters, but we all have a special link, whatever we've achieved or earned or experienced. Our education at McGill was second to none.

I wince when I think about how few library books my annual gifts to McGill have probably provided. But when I play with words, listen to music, enjoy a play, argue with a friend, read an article, try to figure out my world and my life, McGill is back there somewhere, underneath.

That's ordinary. And special.

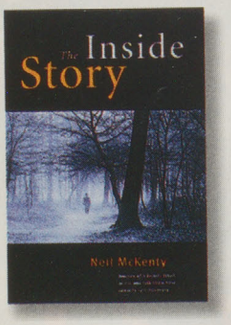
Margaret Springer went on to work as a librarian at the University of Waterloo, then at St. Paul's United College. She is now a freelance writer living in Waterloo, Ontario. Sophie (Szuszkowski) Pukteris now works at Concordia University and at the National Film Board in Montreal. Homecoming Week is Sept. 18 to 21, 1997, for graduates with years ending in a 7 or a 2. General events open to everyone. For information call Anna Galati at (514) 398-3554 or annag@martlet1.lan.mcgill.ca

Confessions, computers and conversations

The Inside Story, *Shoreline Press*, 1996, $18.95, by Neil McKenty.

The author opens his autobiography with a suicide note. After an exhilarating day of skiing in the Laurentians, the well-known Montreal radio and TV talk show host writes to his wife: "Dearest Catherine, I think you will be better off without me. Love Neil."

What follows is a moving account of McKenty's journey from "toxic religion, sex and celibacy, drinking and depression" to spiritual consolation and self-acceptance. *The Inside Story* provides the reader with a raw and honest glimpse into the engulfing state of clinical depression – referred to as a "cancerous sickness of the spirit with no language to adequately describe it." For McKenty, hope comes from a concerned medical community, an unconditionally loving and patient wife, and from the existential realization that he had to lose his old life with its false masks and desire to control, in order to find a new one. At times, McKenty seems prone to exaggeration, and some of his claims of victimization are unconvincing. While McKenty's childhood was far from ideal, it also seemed quite normal or representative for its time, and inspires empathy for each member of his family. The same could be said for his years as a Jesuit, an experience described as "whips and chains." This begs the question of why he chose to remain for 25 years. In the end, McKenty's most powerful point is that he had to reach out beyond himself and rediscover the God he had never truly known as a child or as a Jesuit.



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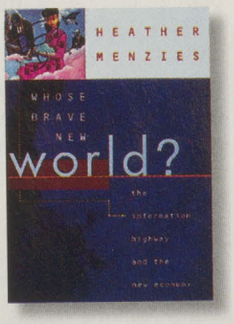
Whose Brave New World?: The Information Highway and the New Economy, *Between the Lines*, 1996, $19.95, by Heather Menzies, BA'70.

Is a "silicon curtain" descending, creating new social divisions to accompany the information economy? Heather Menzies' answer is an emphatic yes.

Menzies contends that computers and other communication technologies are changing the way we – and perhaps more important, institutions such as governments and multinationals – think about work. As the new economy becomes concerned with transmitting information, traditional notions of labour are dying.



Menzies provides numerous (overwhelmingly Canadian) case studies anchoring her position. One example: she interviews nurses at a computerized work-station whose duties now emphasize quantifiable tasks (in Total Quality Management, "if you can't measure it, you can't manage it"). According to one nurse, "the computer takes priority over the patient." Computers allot time for each task, discounting non-quantifiable acts of compassion. Job control moves from the nurses to managers who decide how nursing performance will be evaluated.

Menzies argues that computers could enrich work by alleviating tedious chores, thereby freeing time for more stimulating tasks, and by giving employees more communication power and hence more authority. However, the promised world of leisure has become 50- and 60-hour weeks for the fully employed, and unemployment or stultifying McJobs for the rest.

But alternatives exist. The final section, "Restructuring for People," urges readers to direct energy in their communities and workplaces to ensure a say for everyone in the new economy. The conclusion seems broad after the specific examples in the book, and one would welcome more anecdotes illustrating this resistance strategy. Menzies' critique is intelligent and well documented; she leaves readers to create their own solutions.

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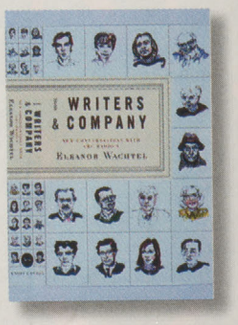
More Writers and Company: New Conversations with CBC Radio's Eleanor Wachtel, *Knopf Canada*, 1996, $28.95, by Eleanor Wachtel, BA'69.

If imaginative, insightful conversation is one of life's great gifts, it can also be among its rarest. Perhaps as a consequence, we often settle for listening to the conversations of others. If we're looking for surrogate dialogue, though, who better to overhear than some of the brightest and most creative writers from around the globe?

Eleanor Wachtel, host of the CBC radio program "Writers and Co.," is well acquainted with the world of contemporary literature. Wachtel, who began her career in 1966 by interviewing fledgling novelist Margaret Atwood for the *McGill Daily*, has found a niche broadcasting intimate interviews with some of the world's most talented authors. *More Writers and Company* is her second collection.

The interviews are fascinating, for two reasons. First, the 22 writers encompass a wide range of perspectives and backgrounds from places as far flung as Ireland, Israel, South Africa, and of course Canada. While some are well established and acclaimed – including Martin Amis, Isabel Allende, and Carol Shields – there are also a number of lesser known but impressive talents. Themes of being an outsider recur: as physician-writer Oliver Sacks puts it, "peering into the human condition, wistfully but sympathetically."

The second reason for the book's success is Wachtel herself. She maintains a strong connection between the writer and listener (or reader) through an engaging and direct style; her questions are clear and simple, shunning esoteric language and literary allusions. Wachtel knows what makes an effective "literary" interview for a broad audience. Well positioned next to writer and interviewer, we sense that we are indeed in good company.



Geoff Allen, BA'94

Beauty and brains

Since its inception in 1889, the Alumnae Society has encouraged women students through scholarships named for pioneering McGill women. The funds are raised from the annual Book Fair, bequests, and donations. On January 28, 1997, the newest winners were honoured: *Front, left to right: Joanne Macdonald (Scholarship Committee Chair), Andrea Tritton (Arts), Nathalie Bisaillon (Management), Sarah Lepoff (Arts), Wendy Strickler (Arts), Helen Lewandowski (Arts), and Alumnae Association President Anelia Wright, BSc(P&OT)'57, DipPT'58. Back row (left to right): Karen Dick (Engineering), Sandra Cunningham (Engineering), Maro Bayandour (Arts), Shanila Wiratunga (Engineering), Melissa Albin (Science) and Jennifer Robertson (Management)*

Irish eyes

The man who may be "more Irish than the Irish" retired last year. Gavin Ross, past executive director of the McGill Alumni Association, chatted with some of his favourite friends at a good-bye party on December 9, 1996, in the music building.
Left to right: James Wright, BA'65, Alumni Governor; James Robb, BA'51, BCL'54, President of the McGill Alumni Association; David Cohen, BA'52, Alumni Governor; Gavin Ross; Dr. Robert Faith, BA'53, DDS'58, Alumni Governor; David Laidley, BCom'67, Past President of the McGill Alumni Association; and Keith Ham, BA'54, BCL'59, Alumni Governor.

Big on Bermuda

The Branch held its annual dinner on February 20, 1997, to honour Ian Davidson, BCom'67, the dedicated branch president from 1986-96. During his time as president, the Bermuda graduates contributed more than $475,000 to McGill and established permanent scholarships for Bermudans studying at McGill and a sketching prize to honour the memory of Wil Onions, BSc(Arch)'32.
Pictured are Ian Davidson, BCom'67, Judy Collis, BA'81, the incoming president, and Derek Drummond, BArch'62, Vice-Principal (Development and Alumni Relations), who visited from Montreal for the occasion.

Terrific in Tokyo

Principal Bernard Shapiro and his wife Phyllis visited Tokyo and Osaka on November 12, 1996, to speak with graduates and meet with other university leaders. Many people contributed generously of their time to make the voyage a success. John Tennant, BCom'63, of the Canadian Embassy and McGill anthropology professor Fumiko Ikawa-Smith are especially to be congratulated.

Received in style (above left). *From left to right: John Tennant, BCom'63; Yukio Sadamori, MBA'77, Director, McGill Society of Japan; Dr. Minoru Fukada; Dr. Phyllis Shapiro; Principal Bernard Shapiro; Barbara Tennant; Mrs. Takeo Fukada, Manager, McGill Society of Japan and Dr. Yasuaki Suzuki, MBA'66, President, McGill Society of Japan.*

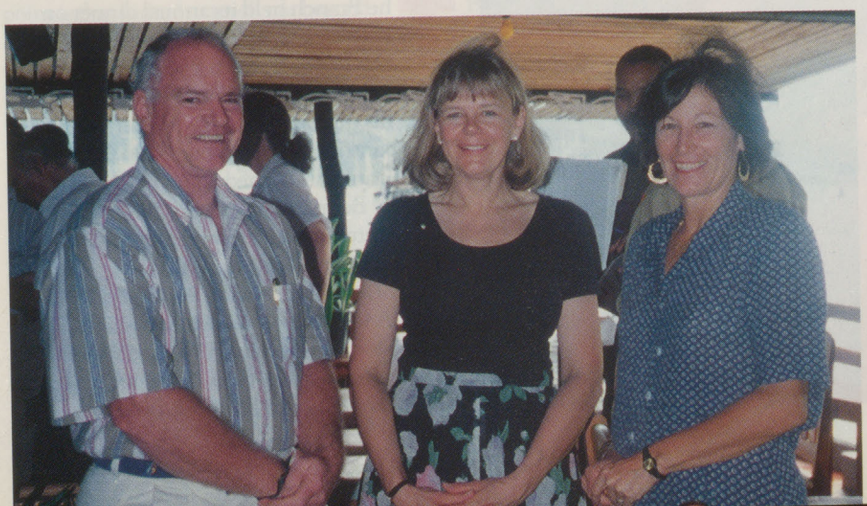
Collective wisdom in Tokyo (below left): *Mito Mackin, BA'96, Akiko Takai, Yoko Sano, BEd'94, and Makiko Tanaka, BCom'95.*

Trinidad troopers

McGill sent a convoy to Port of Spain from February 28 to March 2, 1997, to meet with graduates and give talks on research and McGill developments. Branch president George Waldron, BA'63, greeted McGill guests Pierre Bélanger, Vice Principal (Research) and Dean of Graduate Studies; Deborah Buszard, Dean of the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences; Alan Shaver, Dean of the Faculty of Science; and Karen Diaz, Alumni Relations Officer.

Below: Dean of Agriculture Deborah Buszard meets graduates Hugh R. Avey, BSc(Agr)'68, and Mary Jennifer Bovelle Avey, BSc(Agr)'68.

Above: Dr. George Waldron, BA'63, President of the McGill Alumni Association of Trinidad, and Joycelin Theresa Harewood, BA'67, Vice-president. Below: Joycelin does some snake-juggling for the crowd.



Tampa Tales

A healthy McGill contingent turned out for the All-Canadian University Alumni Brunch in Tampa, Florida, on February 23, 1997, where Derek Drummond delivered a witty speech entitled, "Oh Canada, Our Home on Native Land."

Left to right: Peter Kyres, BA'87, McGill alumni leader in Tampa; Kate Kyres; Derek Drummond, VP (Development and Alumni Relations), BArch'62; Paul White, MD'49; Fred Dixon and Marilyn Dixon.

A Stormy Affair

Despite threatening weather that day, some 50 alumni braved wind and rain to see Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, in Atlanta last February 21, 1997. The event was held at the new Canadian Consulate in the northern part of the city.

Pictured below are Allan Stewart, Canadian Consul General in Atlanta, McGill Branch leader Heidi Allardyce, BA'79, and Bernard Shapiro, who spoke about challenges facing higher education

A Jazzy Time

The McGill Jazz Ensemble I travelled north to Quebec City for a gala concert on April 9, 1997, at Le Capitole du Québec. *At left: Dean of Music Eric Lawton; Executive Director of the McGill Alumni Association Honora Shaughnessy, MLIS'73, CertProfFrench'94; Chancellor Gretta Chambers, BA'48; Conductor of the McGill Jazz Ensemble Professor Gordon Foote; and Andrea Parent, CertEd'90, Quebec City alumni branch president. The event was partially sponsored by Robert Birks and a private reception for alumni and special guests was held afterwards.*

Sunshine in Sarasota

Graduates met on February 25, 1997, to chat and catch up on the Canadian weather forecast.

Pictured below in the front row are Margaret Pope, BA'34; Joan Hanna, BA'35; Dorothy Levites, BA'35; Ruth Rowland, DipPE'37. Back row: John Perrie, BA'37; Dr. Lorne Hamilton, BA'37, MA'45; Sol Levites, BA'36; Kiel Oxley, BA'27; and Wesley Bradley, BCL'37, QC.

COMING EVENTS

- **June 18, Toronto:** Annual General Meeting and Dinner. Guest Gretta Chambers, Chancellor. Contact Lou Ampas (416) 769-8605.
- **June 18, Calgary:** Big Rock Brewery Tour. Contact Keith Masters (403) 239-9829.
- **June 19, Edinburgh, UK:** Edinburgh Dinner. Guests of Honour Derek Drummond, Vice-Principal (Development & Alumni Relations) and Dr. Anne M. Drummond. Contact Lucinda Kitchen (44-143) 588-2239.
- **June 24, London, UK:** Summer Reception. Guest of Honour John Cleghorn, Chairman and CEO, Royal Bank of Canada. Contact Lucinda Kitchen (44-143) 588-2239.
- **June 24, Toronto:** McGill Days; information session for newly accepted students. Contact Keith Gallop (514) 398-4751.
- **June 25, Oakville/Halton/Wentworth:** McGill Days; information session for newly accepted students. Contact Keith Gallop (514) 398-4751.
- **June 26, Ottawa:** McGill Days; information session for newly accepted students. Contact Keith Gallop (514) 398-4751.
- **June 29, Victoria:** Summer Send-Off. Contact Thomas Dunwoody (250) 478-6501.
- **August 17, Niagara Peninsula:** "Sorry, Wrong Number" by Lucille Fletcher. Contact Monique Boulard (905) 685-2080.
- **November 13, London, UK:** UK Trust Annual General Meeting and Autumn Reception. Contact Lucinda Kitchen (44-143) 588-2239.

ARCHITECTURE

H. Peter Oberlander, BArch'45, has been appointed senior advisor of preparations for the Environment Ministerial Meeting of *Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation, APEC '97.*

Michael M. Fieldman, BSc'59, BArch'63, was honoured by the American Institute of Architects in February 1997, and admitted to the College of Fellows, the Institute's highest honour.

David Covo, BSc(Arch)'71, BArch'74, has been appointed Director of the McGill School of Architecture.

Roderick Stutt, BSc(Arch)'72, BArch'74, received a PhD from the University of Regina in May 1996. His dissertation concerned government planning policies for the prairie provinces. He is the Head of the Architectural Technology program at the Palliser Institute of Technology in Moose Jaw.

Jill Trower, BSc(Arch)'95, BArch'96, has been working for a small architectural firm in Paris since September 1996.

ARTS

Harry Mayerovitch, BA'30, BEng(Arch)'33, is the author of *How Architecture Speaks and Fashions Our Lives*, published last fall. The book is a lighthearted and accessible study of how architecture affects our lives.

William L. Archer, BA'49, was awarded the Civic Award of Merit from the City of Toronto. He has represented residents in Wards 3, 5 and 6 on Toronto City Council and has served actively on various boards. He was also the chair of the Niagara Region Study Review Commission and is presently part of the Toronto Historical Board.

Sarah Weintraub, BA'52, LLD'92, was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada.

Craufurd D. W. Goodwin, BA'55, who is now the James B. Duke professor of economics and the former dean of the graduate school at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, has been named the 15th recipient of the University Scholar / Teacher Award. He is a specialist in the history of economics and the impact of economics on public policy.

Dale (English) Young, BA'55, was appointed a member of the Board of Governors of Camosun College, in Victoria, B.C., by the British Columbia government where she is serving as chair of the Finance, Facilities and Personnel Committee and as co-chair of the 25th Anniversary Committee. She continues to be active in B.C. politics; she is financial agent for the NDP candidate who won the May 1996 provincial election, and she is still volunteer editor of *The Lower Island News*, an eight-issue-a-year democratic socialist newspaper distributed to 2,000 readers on the southern part of Vancouver Island.

Glorianne Stromberg, BA'59, is the author of a report on the domestic mutual funds industry which has prompted the setting up of a task force that formed a draft code for selling mutual funds. She works and resides in Toronto.

Joan Fraser, BA'65, former editor of *The Gazette* in Montreal, has been named Research Director of the Council for Canadian Unity, also based in Montreal.

Evelyn Schachter, BA'66, received the Distinguished Leadership Award for her involvement in numerous community causes. She was most recently past chair of the Canadian Jewish Association's Women's Campaign.

Gaylen Duncan, BA'67, is presently chief executive of the Information Technology Association of Canada.

Gordon Garmaise, BA'69, is the architect of Mackenzie Financial Corporation's STAR asset-allocation service, often referred to as the "antithesis of market timing."

Guy Sprung, BA'70, has been appointed Artistic Director of Theatre 1774 in Montreal. He has been closely associated with the company for many years.

Morris Cooper, BA'71, is a civil litigation lawyer in private practice in Toronto and is married with two daughters. He is currently President ('97-'98) of the Holy Blossom Temple, one of Canada's largest synagogues. He is also an avid outdoor enthusiast.

Monica (Keaton) Scheel, BA'72, MSW'74, is the Managing Director of Family Services Employee Assistance Programs in Calgary.

Janis Angela Tomlinson, BA'75, Associate Professor of Art and Archaeology at Columbia University, was appointed as the Robert Sterling Clark Visiting Professor of Art History for the spring semester at Williams College in Massachusetts. She specializes in the history of painting and patronage in Spain from the reign of Philip II to the death of Francisco Goya. She is the author of many articles and several books on Goya and Spanish history.

Alan Victor, BA'75, after spending more than 10 years living in the United States and working as an international financial analyst, as a treasurer for an oil equipment manufacturer, and as a financier for major commercial real estate transactions, has returned to Montreal to join his father's menswear firm. He is now president of Jack Victor Ltd., whose products are found across Canada and the United States.

Vincenzo F. Di Nicola, BA'76, DipPsych'86, will chair the National Scientific Committee for the World Congress for Social Psychiatry to be held in Vancouver August 17-21, 1998. He is presently the Chairman of the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Queen's University, Kingston, and the first elected President (1996-1999) of the Canadian Association for Social Psychiatry.

June Wood, BA'77, is moving to Las Vegas to become Director of Human Resources for the Cirque du Soleil.

Gary Kanofsky, BA'78, has been Director of Production for CFCF since July 1996. Prior to this he worked with Media Masters in Los Angeles, and before that he was with NBC for 11 years.

Geoffrey Robinson, BA'78, is a professor in the Department of History at UCLA in Los Angeles.

Robert Feigel, BA'81, has opened Ottawa's newest professional bicycle store, Award Cycle and Sports. He lives in Ottawa with his wife, **Dale Simmons**, BA'80, MLS'82, and their two sons.

Peter J. Nicholson, BA'81, has been appointed as Senior Public Relations Counsel in the St. John's office of the Bristol Group, one of Atlantic Canada's leading marketing and communications consultancies.

Leonidas Kaklamanos, MA'82, is the chef and co-owner of Molivos, a Greek restaurant on Guy St. in Montreal. He is also an avid collector of rare books.

Lorraine da Costa, BA'83, is the Administrator and Director of A-Kiddy-Z Nest Daycare Centre in Dorval. She is married and has two children. The licensed centre, which was started by Lorraine in 1992, is attended by more than 60 children and infants, and also offers a pre-kindergarten program and a summer camp for children aged six to eight.

Bruce Hill, BA'83, left the McGill Development Office to assume the role of Associate Director, Campaign Programs, at the University of Guelph in Guelph, Ontario.

Angela F. Dunn, BA'84, MA'88, attended Initiative Communication, a public relations academy in Heidelberg, for post-graduate PR training. She became a certified PR consultant and a member of the German PR Association. Recently she accepted a position as consultant at the Frankfurt office of Hill and Knowlton, an international PR agency.

Rocco Rossi, BA'84, has been appointed Vice-President of Strategic Planning and New Media at the *Toronto Star*. He will have direct responsibility for all of the *Star*'s initiatives in the media, particularly on the Internet.

Dhanayshar Mahabir, MA'86, PhD'95, was appointed an Independent Senator by the President of Trinidad and Tobago in November 1996 – the youngest person ever. In January 1997 he was appointed Chairman of the Regulated Industries Commission and he appears frequently on national television to discuss economic affairs. He was an economist at the Caribbean Development Bank from 1988-90, and taught at the University of the West Indies from 1985-87 and 1992 to the present. He is married and has two daughters.

Vincent Pietracupa, CBIS'87, has accepted a position as information systems director at Henry Birks and Sons Inc., in downtown Montreal.

Chris Bolland, BA'88, is a file analyst. In August 1996 he was married to Helena Van Ryn, a physiotherapist at the University of Ottawa Heart Institute. In November 1996, he began work as an analyst on the Commission of Inquiry into the Deployment of Canadian Forces to Somalia.

Carol Sharpe, BA'88, has been appointed Vice-president, Communications, at Pratt & Whitney Canada. Previously, she was an account director with an international firm of communications consultants. She was also president of the International Association of Business Communicators for 1994-95.

Mia Bloom, BA'89, was contributing author and art director of *The Encyclopedia of the Modern Middle East*, MacMillan Press, 1996. She teaches Middle East history and politics at the City University of New York. She received the Transnational Security Issues and Conflict Resolution Fellowship from Columbia University for 1996-97. She was a Peace Scholar of the United States Institute of Peace for 1995-96, and a Fellow at the Harvard University Center for International Affairs from 1995-97.

Stefano Ianni, BA'90, has been appointed Vice-President Sales for International Cordage Systems, Ltd. He and his wife recently celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary and they live in Montreal.

Steven Lorber, BA'90, has been appointed director of the Montreal Kaplan Educational Centre.

George Vanberg-Wolff, BA'90, DipMgmt Appl'92, has joined the San Francisco law firm of Kaufman & Logan, specializing in environmental insurance coverage and business litigation. He was a business litigator with Akay & Associates after earning his law degree in 1994. He was also the Chair of the ABA Young Lawyers Division, 1996.

Kim Peacock, BA'91, moved to Toronto to take a position as Account Executive at Q107 FM radio.

Amir Haji-Yousefi, MA'92, graduated from Carleton University in 1996 and has since returned to his home country of Iran where he is an assistant professor in the Department of Economics and Political Science at Shahid Beheshti University (National University of Iran), Tehran.

Sarah Shaw, BA'92, received an MSW from Wilfrid Laurier University in 1996. She was married to Peter Mann in August 1996, and began a doctoral program in Human Development and Psychology at Harvard in September 1996.

Christopher Hrones, BA'93, is back in New England after spending some time in Germany. He is a Transportation Planner at the Rockingham Planning Commission in Exeter, N.H.

Tristan James Mabry, BA'93, received an MSc in Comparative Politics (with Distinction) from the London School of Economics in 1995. He now works for CNN International in New York where he is the Associate Producer for a daily CNN program: *Business Asia*.

Kate B. MacDougall, BA'93, graduated from law school in the spring of 1997. This winter she will intern with the U.S. Attorney in San Francisco.

Mahnaz Mirza, BA'93, is Manager, Sales Promotion, for Caltex Oil (Pakistan) Limited, a subsidiary of Chevron and Texaco.

Simone Philogène, MA'93, has returned to the private sector after three years in the policy section of the Prime Minister's Office. She has joined Glaxo Wellcome, the British pharmaceutical company, at its Canadian headquarters in Mississauga, as Manager, Policy Analysis and Development.

Steve Sansom, BA'93, received his MA in economics from Queen's University in 1994, and will receive his LLB in 1997. He is presently articling at Osler, Hoskin and Harcourt in Toronto, Ontario.

Walter Demirci, BA'94, has returned from a two-year sojourn in Argentina, his birthplace, where he was enrolled in a master's program in international relations at the Universidad de Belgrano. He is presently working on his thesis.

Eric Jackson, BA'94, will begin a PhD programme this fall at Columbia's Business School in New York City. The doctorate will be in "Management of Organizations" and he plans to research the impact of top management teams on their companies.

Bryn Williams Jones, BA'94, is at McGill, completing a master's thesis on genetics and ethics. He is hoping to begin a PhD in philosophy in September.

Caitlin M. Leclerc, BA'94, taught English as a second language in Slovakia. She now works for an educational travel company.

Susan Marie Loughman, BA'94, is a Product Administration Representative in W. Bridgewater, Massachusetts, and will be receiving a master's degree in Public Relations and Advertising in May 1997.

David T. McDonald, BA'94, will complete an LLB at the University of Hong Kong in June 1997.

Panagiotis Panagopoulos, BA'94, has moved from the University of Birmingham, U.K., to Aalborg University, Denmark, where he is continuing his PhD and teaching.

Robert Spakkens, BA'94, BSc'94, is now working towards his doctorate in physics at the University of Toronto.

Megan Stephens, BA'94, has begun an MA in Sociology at Carleton University after living and working in Belgium. Prior to that she spent two years as a research assistant at Health Canada.

Arif Virani, BA'94, is in the second year of a law degree at the University of Toronto. He spent the past summer working at the Quebec Human Rights Commission in Montreal.

Gwyn Wansbrough, BA'94, is in the final year of a master's degree in international affairs at Columbia University.

Rebecca White, BA'94, has been employed as an analyst at the Federal Reserve Bank in New York for almost two years. This spring she hopes to be accepted to journalism school and to travel to Kenya.

Abdu Yilmaz, BA'94, is now working as a software engineer in the Boston area.

Vanessa Berkling, BA'95, is the editor of *Menz* magazine, a lifestyle and fashion magazine based in Montreal for Canadian men in the 25-49 age group.

Meredith Fox, BA'95, is pursuing a master's degree at the American University in Washington, D.C.

Julie Picard, BA'95, was married in September 1996 and is working at a hotel in Baden-Baden, Germany.

Kerri-Lynn Strotmann, BA'95, was recently hired as the Project Coordinator for a commercial revitalization project in the city of Dorval, Quebec. The project is guided by a Heritage Canada foundation called "Rues Principales." The programme focuses on physical intervention, marketing, animation, and culture.

Winnehl Tubman, BA'95, spent a year travelling and speaking French in France. She is now working towards an MA in International Education and Development at Teacher's College, Columbia University.

Ira Wagman, BA'95, is enrolled in an MBA program in Art and Media Administration at York University.

Junko Habu, PhD'96, is an Assistant Professor in Anthropology at the University of California at Berkeley.

Maria Migas, BA'96, is completing a master's degree in Health Services Administration at Dalhousie University.

DENTISTRY

R. Silverstone, BSc'36, DDS'40, closed his dental practice at the end of December 1996, after 54 years of practice. He was the oldest practicing dentist in Quebec. At 83 years, he still downhill skis daily and pursues his interest in photography. With his wife, Ann, he has seven children; there are now also 16 grandchildren.

Gerald S. Rudick, DDS'66, was elevated to Diplomat status within the International Congress of Oral Implantologists (ICOI) in February 1997. This is the highest honour the ICOI can bestow on a dental professional in this field, and is granted to those who have significantly contributed to the art and science of implantology through their efforts in education, research and clinical experience.

Howard Stein, BSc'69, DDS'71, has been elected President of the Ontario Association of Dental Specialists. He is a pediatric dentist who practices in Scarborough, Ontario, and teaches part-time at the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Toronto.

Minna (Noik) Stein, BSc'67, DDS'71, has been appointed Registrar of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario. She is the first female dentist to hold this position.

Tony W. Chu, DDS'93, and his wife are living in Houston, Texas. He has two and a half years left in OMF surgery residency.

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Judy Horrath, DDS'95, is now practicing in the Montreal West Island region and recently took a trip to Mexico.

Mark-Ulrich Knoefel, DDS'95, completed a one-year residency at the Montreal Children's Hospital in pediatric dentistry. He is currently specializing in orthodontics at the University of Alberta and will obtain an MSc in December 1998.

EDUCATION

Nancy Layton, BEd(PE)'72, MEd'87, was appointed the first female head of Bishop's College School in Lennoxville, Que. She and her husband, Joe Stairs, divide their time between the Bishop's campus and their home on Lake Memphremagog.

Penny Angel-Levy, MEd'76, has been living in San Diego since 1978. She is married and has three children. She is manager of an employee assistance program for San Diego County school districts and in private practice, specializing in custody mediation.

Brian R. Mingie, BEd'78, opened his own accounting practice in Ottawa in September.

Bruce Gravel, BEd'79, spearheaded the formation of the Tourism Federation of Ontario, the "umbrella" association of Ontario's 28 individual tourism associations. He is the volunteer secretary of the association. In 1996 he was the recipient of the Motels Ontario Significant Service Award for 12 years of devoted service as chief administrator of his association, Motels Ontario, Peterborough.

Pamela Feres, MEd'86, is the founder of the Feres Alternative Learning Centre, which is devoted to preparing disabled children for integration into the regular school system and into the community in general.

Horace I. Goddard, MEd'88, is a director of Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal and has just published a novel, *Paradise Revisited.* He is also the editor of *KOLA*, a black literary magazine, author of three collections of poetry and editor of a book of literary interviews.

Leslie Levinson, BEd'88, MA'91, has been teaching at the Mackay Centre for six years. She is currently working part-time, enjoying her time at home with sons Blair (8) and Josh (9 months).

Bette Chambers, PhD'90, is a Concordia professor of education. Her work was recently featured in an article in *The Gazette* (Montreal), entitled *Women to Watch in '97*. She has implemented a language arts project called Success For All, whose objective is to increase and improve child literacy. The program, which was created at Johns Hopkins University, is already in use in more than 500 schools around the world

David Arnour, BEd'92, is a professional triathlete. He won the Quebec Triathlon Series event in 991, and the individual provincial championship the next year. He has represented Canada five times internationally and will be competing this year at the World, European and Canadian levels. He is also coaching potential triathletes and has recently expanded to the national level in this endeavour.

Laura Kaufman, MEd'92, is an art education professor at Okanagan University College's North Kelowna Campus in British Columbia. She is working on a PhD in art education at McGill, and is also developing her own artistic career.

Leanne Levy, BEd'92, MEd'94, opened Fuzion, which markets the work of painters, illustrators, designers and photographers, in November. The Quebec agency features urban expressionism and its members' works range from billboards and set design to computer graphics and company logos.

Michelle Burak, BEd'93, started teaching grades K-two English at École Maimonide, Quebec, in November.

Bonita Burnham, BEd'93, is doing some substitute teaching in both the English and French school systems in Quebec.

Edgar (Buddy) Clinch, BEd'93, is in his fourth year in the James Bay region and has recently been promoted to Vice-Principal of his elementary school.

Kim McRae Craig, BEd'93, is currently on maternity leave from her junior kindergarten class at Iroquis Public School, Quebec, having given birth to a boy, Alexander Craig, on November 1, 1996.

Julie Edwards, BEd '93, is currently living in Waterloo, Quebec, enjoying teaching grade one at the English elementary school.

Leslie Forster-Scrit, BEd'93, married Michael Scrit in July 1995 and has been teaching full time since graduation.

Kendra Griffiths, BEd'93, is teaching French kindergarten at Edgewater School in Pincourt, Quebec. She is also back at McGill, working towards a certificate in special education.

Lori Hill, BEd'93, had a second son, Tyler Zane, in September 1995. She has been working on availability frequently at Lasalle Catholic Comprehensive High, Quebec, teaching all subjects at all levels.

Lisa King-Thordsen, BEd'93, was married on August 3, 1996, and moved to a project in Princeton, N.J., and San Ramon, California, with her husband's company. She is presently enjoying some free time.

Julie Anne Lafleur, BEd '93, has just started a new full time job teaching kindergarten at Lower Canada College. She is working towards her master's degree at McGill at night.

Wendy Maher, BEd'93, MEd'95, has been a special education teacher at Victoria Park School Teach Kindergarten for the past two years. Last summer she visited England and is planning to return, having been invited to the Royal Ascot.

Deborah Martin, BEd'93, MEd'96 is now in her fourth year of teaching at Hitterfield School in Campville, Ontario. She is planning to move to the Ottawa area.

Yvonne Martin, BEd'93, has been working at Greaves Academy, Quebec, for four years and is very happy. During the summer, her school board sends her to Alberta for course to update and train her for future positions. She has also been a cooperating teacher.

Natalie McCarthy, BEd'93, has ben working full time as an ESL teacher in an alternative school for high school dropouts. She is married, has completed her MEd in Teaching English as a Second Language, and is enrolled in a Certificate in Special Education.

Jodi-Anne Frost McKinnon, BEd '93 and '95 (Elem. and PE), has been travelling across the United States, and is in a new city and state every 13 weeks. She has been substituting and teaching swimming and aerobics at the YMCA in each city.

Daryl Ness, BEd'93, has been teaching social studies at H. S. Billings High School in Chateauguay for the past four years. He is planning to begin his master's next fall.

Karin Oram-Pollice, BEd'93, MEd'95, has been working full time as a special education teacher at Summit School, Quebec, since graduation. In October 1996, she married her boyfriend of seven years, Carmine.

Renée (Roque) Patterson, BEd'93 was married to Provincial Constable Mike Paterson on May 25, 1996, in Killarney, Ontario.

Kevin Philip, BEd '93 (Secondary), is presently enjoying his third year at A&RHS in Lennoxville, Quebec, teaching math, science and moral education. He has also been coaching football and hockey.

Céline Pruneau, BEd'93, has been teaching kindergarten as well as English as a second language for the past four years with the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal. She recently gave birth to a boy, Carl Isaac.

Doris Rainha, BEd'93, is teaching regular Secondary Two students in L'Assomption, and is happily married to Thomas.

Lisa Romanese, BEd'93, is teaching English as a Second Language in a French high school in Le Grandeur, Quebec.

Linda (Joyce) Rummel, BEd'93, DipAgr'85, was married in October, 1996, in a Victorian style wedding in British Columbia. She teaches French immersion and English in elementary school.

Ruth Smolash, BEd'93, married **Ryan Katofsky**, BEng'90, in June, 1995. She just completed a master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology at Northeastern University, and is beginning employment at a nursing home. She lives in Somerville, Massachusetts.

Elaine Welsh, BEd'93, was named Teacher of the Year at Sandy Bay First Nation School. Currently she is taking time off to raise her daughter, Emma. Her husband is posted there with the RCMP.

Tracy Conway, BEd'94, has moved to Whitby, Ontario, where she is a grade 2/3 teacher with the Durham Region Roman Catholic Separate School Board.

Susan Elizabeth Robinson, BEd'95, DipEd'95, will start teaching high school English at Waiopehu College, Levin, New Zealand, in January.

Danya Noura Vidal Sabih, BEd'95, has worked in daycare and is now head teacher. She is still looking for a "real" teaching position. In August she married **Sacha Francis Sabih**, BA'93. He is in the master's program in Agricultural Economics at MacDonald Campus.

Sunday Soufaras, BEd'95, is a teacher of geography and history at Westmount High School. She is also working towards a master's degree in educational studies at Concordia.

ENGINEERING

Arthur Earle, BEng'49, has been named an Officer of the Order of Canada.

Paul A. Webb, BEng'54, is President of Iroquois Marine Services.

Marceli Wein, BEng'58, MSc'61, PhD'64, was the recipient of a Technical Achievement Award (Academy Certificate), a category of the Scientific and Technology Awards presented by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the 1996 Academy Awards. This award was given in recognition of his pioneering work in computer animation which "demonstrated the first significant use of the computer in two-dimensional key-frame character animation."

Michael D. Sopko, BEng'60, MEng'61, PhD'64, has been appointed to the Board of

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Directors of Co-Steel Inc. He is also Chairman and CEO of Inco Ltd., a company he has been with since 1964. He is also a director of the Toronto Dominion Bank and Voisey's Bay Nickel Company Limited.

John Carrington, MEng'68, has been named President and Chief Operating Officer of Barrick Gold Corp., based in Toronto.

Jacob D. Eisenwasser, BEng'68, has been appointed Associate Director of R&D for Praxair Inc. He manages all gas applications R&D activities at Praxair's Chicago Technology Centre.

Rob Kearney, BEng'68, MEng'71, PhD'76, Chairman of the Department of Biomedical Engineering in the Faculty of Medicine at McGill, has been chosen as President-Elect of the Biomedical section of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers.

Paul R. Van Loan, PhD'68, was elected Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers in January 1997. He was also elected Technical Vice-president, International Microelections and Packaging Society, for 1997-98. He lives and works in California.

Claudio F. Bussandri, BEng'69, MBA'76, is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Medis Health and Pharmaceutical Services Inc. He is also co-chair of the "Investment Partners: Building our Children's Future" fundraiser at the Montreal Children's Hospital.

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Terry F. Diardichuk, BEng'70, has been appointed Vice-president, National Accounts and Carrier Relations, of MetroNet Communications Corporation. He was Chief Operating Officer at WestComm and has held senior positions at Unitel Communications, Octel Communications and Northern Telecom.

Michael J. Primiani, BEng(Civil)'70, has been retained since August 1996 by Bell Canada International as Director of Civil Works for a joint venture in Andhra Pradesh, India. He is responsible for the design, planning and construction of the infrastructure for a new GSM cellular telephone company.

Sergio De Paoli, BEng'71, MBA'74, has been appointed President of CCL Industries Label Division. He has 20 years of experience in the printing and packaging industries. Most recently, he held the position of President, Transcontinental Printing Inc., and he has held a number of leadership positions within the Lawson Mardon Group Ltd.

Ronald Chwang, BEng'72, is president and CEO of Acer America Corporation, one of the top ten manufacturers of PC systems. The company is a supporter of the McGill Graduate Business Conference, at which Chwang delivered the keynote speech last year. This year's conference topic is *Hyper-Competition, Unleashing the Forces of Change, Competing in Highly Dynamic Environments*. Acer America is based in San Jose, California.

Kwong Ng, BEng(Elec)'79, is a New Mexico State University Electrical Engineering Professor. He is researching the use of the electrical shock to revive the heart after it has stopped. The American Heart Association has given him a $70,000 grant for two years.

John D. Weber, BEng(Chem)'79, is Chief Petroleum Engineer, southern area, for UNOCAL Indonesia Ltd., east Kalimaivtan Division.

Stephen Takacsy, BEng'81, MBA'85, is stepping down as chief financial officer of St. Laurent's Malofilm Communications Inc., and recently stepped down from the company's board of directors.

Elisabeth Conde, BEng'82, is still working with Ontario Hydro in their nuclear safety group in Toronto. She is now a specialist in human performance enhancement, a number of techniques to help analyze and prevent human error. She also teaches a course on this subject to staff at Ontario Hydro; she has previously taught this course in Quebec and Argentina.

Marie (Myrt) Power-Jay, BEng(Mech)'87, worked as a consultant in Calgary. She lived in Nepal for two years where she did rural development work with CIDA. Following that, she lived in the Middle East (Qatar), where both daughters, Rosalind (2 1/2), and Hilary (1), were born. She is now the owner/operator of Snow Lizard Bed and Breakfast, located on 10 acres in Fernie, B.C.

Deborah-Anne Baluch, BEng(Chem)'89, works in the business and planning group at Shell Canada's Montreal-East refinery. She was married in September 1996.

Mughis Naqvi, BEng(Chem)'89, is an applications engineer for Lightning, a unit of General Signal Corp. He is also teaching a CEE course on Fluid Mixing Technology at the University of Toronto.

Aminah Fayek, BEng'91, is an assistant professor at the University of Alberta, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (Construction Engineering and Management).

Gabriela Simonka, BEng(Civil)'92, was married in September 1995 to Joe Pasztor, a research assistant with the Respiratory Epidemiology Unit at McGill. In December she completed the Maîtrise des sciences appliquées (MScA) program in Civil Engineering, option in Transportation, at École Polytechnique de Montréal. She is now a technical writer for INRO Consultants in Montreal, a company specializing in the development and production of transportation planning software.

Sarah Marx, BEng'93, MEng'96, was married to Andrew Shalit in November 1995, and works in Technical Sales at the Montreal office of Imperial Oil.

Patrick Watson, BEng'93, changed jobs and moved to San Francisco, where he now works with Emergent, a management consulting company.

Julie Filion, BEng(Chem)'94, is working on a PhD research project in Chemical Engineering at McGill.

Jennifer Ng, BEng(Elec)'94, is a software designer at DY4 Systems. She is single and is travelling the world on business trips. In 1996 she was in Japan, Taiwan, and Korea.

Jean Charles Ouellette, BEng(Elec)'94, is a power and control systems designer with Holderbank, building cement plants in North and South America.

David Rolston, MEng'94, PhD'96, was awarded le Prix Fondation Desjardins for his work with photonic systems. The award is given by l'Association canadienne de technologie de pointe.

Art Liem, BEng(Civil)'95, is a project engineer for Glaxo Wellcome, a pharmaceutical company. He has just been appointed to the advisory board of the Factory Theatre, Toronto, and is a Leadership Donor with the United Way

of Greater Toronto. He also just bought a house in Riverdale.

Patrick Sieb, BEng(Mech)'95, is studying with three other McGill graduates of his year at HEC School of Management in Paris. He will complete a year long internship in a bank in May 1997, and will graduate in June 1998.

Hans Volstad, BEng(Chem)'95, is working as a process engineer for Hatch Associates in Montreal. His elder daughter is now six years old and in grade 1, and the younger, Karina, is one-and-a-half years old.

LAW

Yves L. Fortier, BCL'58, was appointed to the Board of Directors of Southam Inc. in October. He is a senior partner with the law firm of Ogilvy Renault and has been Chairman since January 1992. In July 1991 he was named a Companion of the Order of Canada.

Joyce Borden Reed, BCL'62, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of AGRA Inc. She is Corporate Counsel and Secretary and a member of the Board of Directors of Motorola Canada Limited, a director of Altir Enterprises Limited and a member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Toronto Board of Trade. She is also a member of the Barreau du Québec and the Law Society of Upper Canada.

Mark M. Rosenstein, BA'60, BCL'63, has been appointed a member of the Quebec Securities Commission by the Quebec Government. He is a founding partner of the law firm Lapointe, Rosenstein. He is married to **Dr. Bluma Litner,** BA'69, and they have two sons, Noah and Joshua.

H. Christian Wendlandt, BA'65, BCL'68, was appointed Vice President, Government and Public Affairs, Canadian Pacific Railway. He will direct the railway's government and industry relations and its public affairs activities based in Calgary.

Juli Morrow, BCL'75, LLB'76, of Goodman Phillips and Vineberg in Toronto, was one of 14 real estate lawyers of Canada listed in the *Guide to the World's Leading Real Estate Lawyers*.

E. Leslie Groszman, BSc'72, BCL'76, LLB'77, was married to **Sharon G. Druker,** BCL'85, LLB'85, on October 27, 1996, and has his own law firm specializing in commercial litigation. He is a member of the Quebec Bar Committee on the Code of Civil Procedure, and is a recipient of the "Mérite du Barreau."

Sarah Pepall, BA'73, LLB'76, is one of two managing partners at McMillan Binch law firm. She recently spoke to 132 lawyers, many from small firms, about how to promote their practices.

R. B. Cohen, BA'74, BCL'77, LLB'78, has been appointed Vice-president, Law and Administration, of Express Pipeline.

John Nicholl, BCL'78, LLB'79, was elected President of the Board of St. George's School of Montreal at the Annual General Meeting of the Corporation. He is a lawyer specializing in insurance law and professional labour defence and is a founding partner of the law firm Nicholl Paskell-Mede. He has also previously served the school as a member of the finance committee, the Board and the Executive Committee. In his other pursuits, he has lectured at McGill University and Concordia University.

Michael Novak, BSc'76, BCL'80, LLB'81, has been appointed President of SNC-Lavalin International and member of the office of the President. He will be responsible for the continued international business development of SNC-Lavalin and brings extensive experience in negotiation of national and international contracts. He joined the Group in 1986 as Legal Counsel, was named Vice-president, Law, in 1989 and Senior Vice-president, Law, in 1995. He is a member of the Bar of the Province of Quebec and also attended Harvard University.

Sharon G. Druker, BCL'85, LLB'85, married **E. Leslie Groszman,** BSc'72, BCL'76, LLB'77, on October 27, 1996, and is a partner in the Business Law Section at Martineau Walker. She is also currently the President of the Lord Reading Law Society, being the youngest member and only the second woman in the Society's forty-nine year history to hold this position.

Sheila Kussner, BA'53, LLD'90, has been appointed as a governor of McGill University for a five-year term.

Susan Abramovitch, BCL'91, LLB'91, has been made a partner of the entertainment boutique law firm Stohn Henderson in Toronto.

Bram Freedman, BA'87, BCL'91, LLB'91, in-house legal counsel at Concordia University, has been elected Chairman of the Board of Directors of CLSC Métro. The territory of CLSC Métro includes Westmount and much of the western downtown core, bordered to the east by St. Laurent Blvd.

Marc Weinstein, BA'85, LLB'91, BCL'91, has been appointed director and general counsel of the Jewish General Hospital Foundation. He was previously an attorney with McMaster Meighen in Montreal and spent a year as a legal consultant in the United States. He was also a founding member of Leave Out Violence (L.O.V.E.), and has been active with Combined Jewish Appeal and the Lord Reading Law Society where he acted as co-chair of the Young Bar Division. In addition, he was involved in organizing the Bar of Montreal's Legal Day.

Lisa Shemie, LLB'94, BCL'94, practices with the New York law firm Gilbert Segall and Young. She has been with them since September 1996.

George Sopel, BA'91, LLB'95, BCL'95, is articling with the Montreal law firm of Stikeman Elliot.

MACDONALD CAMPUS

Irving Layton, BScAgr'39, MA'46, the poet, was honoured in celebration of his 85th birthday on March 12, 1997, at the Centaur Theatre in Montreal.

Geneviève Faragó, BScAgr'94, has moved from soil to pharmaceuticals. She works in the medical department of Sandoz Canada Inc. In her spare time she takes continuing education courses at McGill.

Anne Laurendeau, BSc(Agr.Env)'94, is a credit advisor at the Farm Credit Corporation office in St. Hyacinthe.

Colin D'Silva, PhD'95, has been working as a researcher for Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada in Lethbridge, Alberta, since April 1995. He was awarded the Japan Science and Technology Agency International Fellowship and will be conducting research at the National Institute of Animal Science in Tsukuba (Tokyo) Japan, starting in March, for two years. He will set up a collaborative research program between the research centre in Japan and the research centre here.

MANAGEMENT

Michael Lawrence Bessner, BCom'48, is a senior financial consultant and lives in Westmount. He is the 1997 recipient of an Honorary Life Membership of Concordia University's Alumni Association. The Honorary Life Membership is awarded to a non-graduate who has demonstrated a long-term commitment to the Association and to the University.

Austin C. Beutel, BCom'53, has been appointed a Director of First Marathon Inc. He is currently President of Oakwest Corporation, a private investment company, and Chairman of Capital Trust Company and Nu-Gro Corporation. First Marathon is a Canadian company that provides a range of financial services.

Robert C. Tedford, BCom'63, has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of Patheon Inc., an independent provider of manufacturing and drug development services in the pharmaceutical outsourcing sector. He has been with Patheon, based in Burlington, Ontario, since 1992.

Seymour Schulich, MBA'65, has been elected to the Board of Governors of York University. He is chair and chief executive officer of Franco-Nevada Mines Corp. Ltd. and chair of Euro-Nevada Mining Corp. Ltd. Toronto, two gold royalty companies.

Maqbool H. H. Rahimtoola, BCom'68, has been appointed provincial minister for Industries, Commerce, Mineral Development, Labour, Transport, Housing, Town Planning, Local Government, Katchi Abadies, Rural Development, and Public Health Engineering for Sindh, Pakistan. He is also chairman of Sindh Coal Authority, Lakhra Coal Development Company, Sindh Small Industries and Sindh Social Security Inst.

Jeffrey G. Marshall, MBA'69, has been appointed President and CEO of Aluma Enterprises Inc. He is past Chair of the the Canadian Institute of Steel Construction and current Chair of Lakefield College School. Aluma Enterprises Inc. supplies engineered services to the construction industry from 50 locations worldwide.

Jean Gariépy, BCom'70, MBA'73, has resigned as president and chief executive of Télé-Métropole Inc. He became president and chief executive of the French language broadcasting company in August 1996.

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Leonard Katz, MBA'74, has been appointed to the position of Senior Vice-president, External Affairs, of Rogers Cantel Mobile Communications Inc. He will assume responsibility for Corporate Communications, Government and Inter-Carrier Relations and Corporate Development. He has more than 23 years of experience in the telecommunications industry and most recently held the position of Vice-president, Government and Inter-Carrier Relations, at Cantel.

Ion G. Shore, BCom'76, DipPubAcct'80, is a chartered accountant. He is VP Internal Audit of subsidiary and foreign operations of Tengelmann, which amongst its various activities is the world's largest grocery retailer.

Janice Kussner, BCom'78, was formerly director of Human Resources for the Addiction Research Foundation (ARF) of Ontario. She has joined the executive search firm of Herman Smith Executive Initiatives Inc., EMA Partners International, located in downtown Toronto.

Roupen Berberian, BCom'79, has been promoted to Vice-president & Controller of Aurora National Life Assurance Company, a California-based insurance company.

Nadine Gut, DipPubAcct'81, has been appointed President and CEO of Gebro Inc., a private management and investment company located in Montreal.

Manouk Djoukhadjian, MBA'82, has been appointed President and CEO of Stella-Jones Inc., a leading Canadian producer of pressure treated wood products. He has 24 years of experience in the manufacturing industry and has occupied many senior management positions in North America and abroad.

Mitchell Brownstein, BCom'83, BCL'87, LLB'87, has, with his law firm, Brownstein Brownstein and Associates, been a participant in the Team Canada trade missions to Asia. He was involved particularly with the Philippine part of the trip, during which time he gave seminars on Canadian business opportunities and immigration under the entrepreneurial class.

Debra Hendler, BCom'83, DipPubAcct'84, has been appointed director of annual giving for the Jewish General Hospital Foundation. She joined the firm of Richter Usher & Vineberg as senior supervisor in the audit division. In 1991 she became senior manager at Jewish Family Services of the Baron de Hirsch Institute. She is also involved in Federation CJA and the Israel Cancer Research Fund.

John Koloda, BCom'83, is married to **Lise Fraser,** BSc'86, and has two children, Karl and Konrad.

Albert Perez, BSc'80, MBA'83, is a Manager, Business Information and Research, at Hoechst Marion Roussel Canada, and lives in Montreal. His daughter, Tamara Beryl Perez, was born September 6, 1995. At only six months old, Tamara earned her first McGill degree: an Honorary Infant Scientist Diploma for her participation in speech research at McGill.

Edward Prorok, BCom'84, DipPubAcct'86, has been appointed an Associate in the company of Fuller Landau, chartered accountants.

Barbara Amsden, MBA'85, has assumed the position of Treasurer and Vice-president, Information, Finance and Services, of the Canadian Bankers' Association. She has been with the CBA for ten years, most recently as Director, Financial Affairs Division. She previously worked for the Royal Bank of Canada and Chase Manhattan Bank of Canada. She also has a bachelor's degree in French and a teacher's certificate for kindergarten through grade six.

Emilio Imbriglio, MBA'85, has joined the accounting firm of Richter, Usher and Vineberg as a Partner. The firm has offices in Montreal and Toronto.

Anne Macdougall, DipPubAcct'86, has been admitted to partnership at the Montreal Office of BDO Dunworthy.

John Shamash, DipPubAcct'86, has been admitted to partnership of Ruby Stein Wagner, Chartered Accountants. He has more than 13 years of experience with entrepreneurial clientele, and was previously in charge of the information technology department.

Monique Dion, MBA'87, is an Associate Director, Consumer Market, at Bell Canada. She lives in Longueuil, Que.

Salvatore Iacono, MBA'89, joins the Lehndorff Tandem Group Inc. as Vice-president, Operations and Development, Quebec. He has experience in real estate development and management, and will be responsible for the portfolio under management in Quebec. The new Montreal office will be under his direction.

Kathy Megyery, MBA'92, was appointed Senior Director of SECOR, a consulting firm. She has been with SECOR for five years, specializing in the health and pharmaceutical fields.

Jeffrey Weigensberg, GradDipPubAcct'92, was recently admitted to the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. He has practiced in the Forensic and Investigative Auditing division of Bessner Gallay Shapira Kreisman for several years. The firm is based in Montreal.

Sunil Bhilotra, BCom'93, placed seventh in Canada and second in Quebec at the 1996 Uniform Final Exam at Caron Bélanger Ernst & Young.

Brian Kreisman, GradDipPubAcct'93, was recently admitted to the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. He has practiced in the Forensic and Investigative Auditing division of Bessner Gallay Shapira Kreisman for several years. The firm is based in Montreal.

Ronald G. Balinsky, BCom'94, has returned to Montreal after two years of working in New York and Australia.

Allison Cepler, BCom'94, is studying advertising to be an art director. She will graduate in June 1997.

Anouk Dupuis, BCom'94, was appointed Chef de Projet Informatique at Generix, a French company located in Lille, France, specializing in accounting and financial software.

Dominique Hamel, BCom'94, will become a chartered accountant in 1997.

Christopher D. Hansell, BCom'94, is a chartered accountant with Price Waterhouse in Montreal.

Heidi Hirschberg, BCom'94, has moved to Toronto.

Darlene McLean, BCom'94, has worked at the Liquor Control Board of Ontario as a Marketing Programs Coordinator since May 1996.

Patrice Ouimet, BCom'94, placed first in Quebec and Canada at the 1996 Uniform Final Exam at Caron Bélanger Ernst & Young.

Philippe Tomic, BCom'94, placed fourth in Quebec at the 1996 Uniform Final Exam at Caron Bélanger Ernst & Young.

Marla Greenspoon, BCom'95, works for Richter Systems in Montreal, Quebec. Her position allows her to travel extensively. She also organizes fund raisers and sits on a number of committees for the Combined Jewish Appeal.

Paul Lalonde, BCom'95, works for London Life in the employee benefits division as an associate director; he is working to become a director in 1997.

Stacey R. Leavitt, BCom'96, has moved to Toronto, where she works at an advertising agency called The BrainStorm Group.

Daniel Schiff, BCom'96, is now working for Goldman Sachs, Investment Bankers, in the equity sales force.

MEDICINE

Gordon Thomas, BA'40, MD'43, died on October 17, 1996. He was a member of many medical organizations and received awards too numerous to mention. His last gift to the Iverness County, Cape Breton community was his house and 220 acres of land. His granddaughter, **Jane Simpson**, MScA'90, and his great-niece, **Rachel Smith**, are at McGill.

Capt. Robert E. Mitchell, MD'47, was honoured for his outstanding aeromedical career by being the first recipient of the Lifetime Achievement in Naval Aerospace Medicine Award, a new award inaugurated by the Society of U.S. Naval Flight Surgeons. Henceforward the award will be known as the Capt. Robert E. Mitchell Lifetime Achievement in Aerospace Medicine Award. Capt. Mitchell has spent 43 years in active service and 6 years in emeritus service, and has received many awards and honours during those years.

Anthony Dobell, BSc'49, MD'51, has been named an Officer of the Order of Canada. He is also a professor emeritus at McGill.

Marie-Genevieve Lane, BA'51, MD'55, is a community pediatrician in Farnham, Surrey. She was a 1997 nominee for the U.K. Woman of Europe Award.

Richard Margolese, MD'60, has been named to the Order of Canada. He is a leading expert on breast cancer, is chief of the JGH Department of Oncology, is professor of Surgery at McGill and holds the Herbert Black Chair in Surgical Oncology at McGill. In addition he is chairman of the Surgical Committee of the National Surgical Adjuvant Breast Project and a member of numerous other national associations.

Faye Wakeling, Dip P&OT'61, BTh'77, STM'79, was recently featured in an article in The Montreal *Gazette* entitled *Women to Watch in '97*. She was noted for her work with St. Columba House, an outreach mission of the United Church of Canada. St. Columba House is home to several groups and programs including head start programs for children and parents, a women's discussion group, a collective kitchen, a community journal, adult education, and welfare rights. The Montreal Council of Women recently honoured her as a Woman of the Year.

Bluma Goldberg, DipOT'63, is a program director with the Canadian Mental Health Association, Alberta North Central Region. She completed an MSc in occupational therapy, psychosocial, at the University of Alberta in November 1996.

Joel Rosen, BSc'64, MD'68, was appointed director of Professional Services at the Montreal Jewish General Hospital, where he is Chief of the Department of Opthalmology.

Mary-Anne (Palmer) Findlay, BScN'71, has been a magistrate (Justice of the Peace) in the county of Dorset, England, since 1992. In 1995 she was appointed to the Dorset Magistrates, Courts Committee. Since graduation she has held various nursing teaching positions in Canada. She has taught anatomy and physiology at the Heretaunga College, Upper Hutt, New Zealand, and is now studying for a Diploma of Homeopathy with the British Institute of Homeopathy.

Peter Small, BSc'67, MD'71, has been appointed associate director of Professional Services at the Montreal Jewish General Hospital, where he is chief of the Division of Allergy and Immunology.

Peter G. Bernad, BSc'70, MD'74, is a neurologist based in Washington, D.C. His son Daniel now studies at McGill.

Sheldon Elman, BSc'72, MD'74, is the Chairman of TeleMedisys, a company that is developing a device that works through the phone line and computer at the hospital, monitored by a nurse to keep track of heart disease patients from their homes.

Ghislaine Prata, B(OT)'74, has been appointed executive director of Constance Lethbridge Rehabilitation Centre in Montreal, Quebec.

Margaret A. Drickamer, MD'81, has received one of VA Connecticut Health Care System's most prestigious awards, the Secretary's "Hands and Heart" Award. This is awarded to the caregiver who demonstrates the most dedicated, professional and compassionate patient care. She is the Associate Chief of Staff for Geriatrics

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and Extended Care at VA, and Associate Professor of Medicine at Yale University School of Medicine in the division of General Internal Medicine.

Mark Palayew, BSc'81, MD'85, acquired the following visiting professorships in 1996: L'Hotel Dieu de Québec and Laval University; Ains Shams University, Cairo, Egypt; and Chang Gung Memorial Hospital, Taipei, Taiwan.

G. B. Brock, BSc'81, MD'86, and colleagues garnered the first and second prizes in the basic science section of the Annual Quebec Urological Association Meeting in Montreal.

Liane Philpotts, BSc'84, MD'88, is Assistant Professor of Diagnostic Radiology at the Yale University School of Medicine. She is married to J. Grant Thompson and has two children, Paisley and Cameron.

Christina Echols, BSc(PT)'92, is a physiotherapist in Kenora, Ontario. She is still involved with competitive swimming at the master's level. She will begin the MBA program at the University of Western Ontario next year.

Stella Andonatos, MD'93, married Dr. Duncan Schellenberg on July 27, 1996. She is working in Waswanipi, Quebec, for the Cree Health Board, doing rural family medicine.

Suzanne Bois, BSc(P&OT)'94, is working on replacement contracts in public system rehabilitation. She lives in Verdun, Quebec.

Johanne Champigny, BSc(P&OT)'94, works at North Country Hospital in Newport, Vermont. She and her husband are building a house.

Marcia Lisa Dennis, BSc(P&OT)'94, is working three jobs while she initiates "Pastoral Animation," a church-based occupational therapy program. She's been traveling across Canada and was in California, giving talks to teens.

Stephanie Kovacs, BSc(PT)'94, works at Jean-Talon Hospital in Quebec. She travelled to Italy last spring.

Sandra Lee, BSc(OT)'94, is chair of the Alberta Association of Registered Occupational Therapists Promotions Committee. She is also on their marketing committee and is working as an occupational therapist at the Workers' Compensation Board Rehabilitation Centre.

Sally Tong, BScN'94, is doing an MSc in Nursing at the University of British Columbia.

Florian P. Thomas, PhD'95, has received a three-year Veterans Administration Merit Award in the amount of U.S. $300,000 for his study of the neurobiological properties of HIV-1 gene products, using transgenic mouse technology. This study is being conducted at the Institute for Molecular Virology of St. Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri.

MUSIC

Wanda Kaluzny, BMus'76, MA'85, is conductor of the Montreal Chamber Orchestra. She recently released a new CD, *Suites for Strings*, on the SNE label.

Michael Maxwell, LMus'88, Concert Dip'90, BMus'95, a clarinetist, performs in Montreal as a solo recitalist and as an orchestra musician. He has appeared in the McGill Alumni Concert Series and also plays regularly with the Montreal Symphony Orchestra under Charles Dutoit. He has toured in Canada, Europe, and the United States.

Daniel Costello, BMus'91, was recently appointed co-principal horn of La Camerata, a chamber orchestra in Athens, Greece.

Maria Anna Harley, PhD'94, was appointed to the dual position of Director of the Polish Music Reference Centre and Assistant Professor of Music History and Literature at the School of Music, University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Tracy Pratt, BMus'94, has moved to Vancouver with her husband and two children, Benjamin, aged 2, and Jonathan, aged 1. She is a member of the B.C. Registered Music Teachers' Association and teaches piano at home.

Sooka Wong, BMus'95, is a pianist and performs in and around the Montreal area.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

John Craig Fair, BTh'94, was ordained to the Presbyterian Ministry in March 1996. He is serving in Aylmer, Quebec, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Jane Webster, BTh'94, is in a doctoral program in religious studies at McMaster University in Hamilton.

SCIENCE

Rudolph A. Marcus, BSc'43, PhD'46, DSc'88, Arthur Amos Noyes Professor of Chemistry at Caltech, is a Nobel Laureate Scientist. He won the Nobel Prize in chemistry in 1992. He was interviewed in the current issue of *Veery* (#6), an exclusive literary journal based in Chicago and distributed around the world.

David Culver, BSc'47, LLD'89, received the Award of Merit from B'nai Brith Canada, which recognizes outstanding individuals "who have played a significant role in shaping our society." He is chairman of CAI Capital Corporation.

John Gareau, BSc'52, has been appointed director to the Board of Saxon Petroleum Inc., which is based in Calgary, Alberta.

Sandra Freedman Witelson, BSc'60, MScAppl'62, PhD'66, Professor of Psychiatry at McMaster University, Hamilton, was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in recognition of her scientific study of brain-behaviour relationships.

John Spiro, PhD'63, received a BSc with High Distinction from the University of Toronto, where he majored in computer science. He works in the U of T Chemistry department as a consultant on numerical analysis and scientific programming.

Paul S. Echenberg, BSc'64, has been appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of Schroders & Associates, Canada Inc. He was formerly President and CEO of Twinpak Inc. and Executive Vice-president of CB Pak Inc. Most recently he was involved in investment banking and financial advisory activities through Eckvest Equity Inc., which he founded.

Evelyne Hausen, BSc'65, published *Human History at the Crossroads: Where Do We Go From Here?* The book argues that to increase the survival chances of the human race we must free ourselves from government, religion, and big business. She is a professor in the department of Artificial Intelligence and Cognitive Science at the Université du Québec à Montréal.

Shree Mulay, MSc'66, PhD'69, was recently featured in The Montreal *Gazette* article titled *Women to Watch in '97*. She is the director of the McGill Centre for Research and Teaching on Women. She is also a clinical biochemist at the Royal Victoria Hospital and an associate professor in the department of experimental medicine at McGill. She is an expert in the field of health issues in the developing world and is also a member of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women.

Albert Rabinovitch, BSc'66, MSc'69, was recently appointed to the College of American Pathologists Commission on Laboratory Accreditation as a checklist commissioner. He previously served as Chair on the College's Hematology and Clinical Microscopy Resource Committee. He received his medical degree from State University of New York, and is board certified in anatomic and clinical pathology. He and his wife, Shelly, and child, Kevin, live in Kinnelon, New Jersey.

David Zussman, BSc'68, PhD'75, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the KPMG Centre for Government Foundation. He is President of the Public Policy Forum, Associate Dean for Academic Programs in the Faculty of Administration, and Professor of Public Policy and Management at the Univer-

sity of Ottawa. He has held many positions within the federal public service, most recently serving as the Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet for Program Review and Machinery of Government.

Norman Pinsky, BSc'73, and Barbara have a sixth child: William was born on January 14, 1997, brother to Ian, Andrew, Jonathan, Adam and Tova.

Mike Schofield, BScAgr'74, has accepted a position as European Technology Manager in the newly formed company, BetzDearborn. He and his wife, Sharon, have moved from the Stockholm area to Helsingborg, Sweden, where they expect to stay for the next two or three years.

Maryvonne Bouvry, BSc(Agr)'80, MSc'84, is a marketing manager in France.

Josée Charest, BSc'85, is a research agent with the Fonds de la recherche en santé du Québec, based in Montreal. She works mainly on statistics and analysis of granted projects.

Alison Sahoo, BSc'85, is Director of Business Development for a manufacturer of medical and aesthetic laser systems. She is responsible for establishing strategic relationships worldwide with providers of medical services. She is currently working with several groups in Canada to establish the country's first laser hair removal clinics.

Andrew Coulson, BSc'89, has been appointed Director, Internet Customer Unit and Regions, Microsoft Canada Inc. He will be responsible for guiding Microsoft Canada's strategy regarding Internet applications and tools, as well as the overall sales efforts in the regional offices located in different locations across Canada. He has more than 12 years experience in the software industry and has been with Microsoft Canada for just over four years.

Valerie Des Bois, MScA'89, is a speech therapist in Montreal.

John Clive Spiegel, BSc'91, received an MD from the Université Laval in Quebec City in June 1996. He married Jacqueline Hattem on May 26, 1996. As of July 1, 1997, he will be in the dual-boarded Residency Training Program in Neurology and Psychiatry, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York.

Kieran F. Dowd, BSc'92, graduated from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in 1996. He is now in an internship/residency program in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at University Hospital, Newark, New Jersey, affiliated with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Melina (Murray) Thibodeau, BSc'93, was married on July 13, 1996, to Robert Thibodeau. A son, Isaac James, was born on November 6, 1996. She will graduate from Dalhousie University Medical School in May 1997.

Monica Bienefeld, BSc'94, recently completed a master's degree in epidemiology at Queen's University. She is currently enrolled in the epidemiology PhD program at the University of Toronto.

Daniel Kehler, BSc'94, is completing an MSc in spatial ecology and predictive models at Acadia.

Chantale Ménard, BSc(FSc)'94, completed an MSc at the University of Toronto. In October 1996 she married **Aaron Nadeau,** DipAgr'94. They live in Vermont where, after spending a year farming in New Zealand, Aaron works on the Nadeau family farm.

Andrea Thöni, BSc'94, is completing her studies in undergraduate medicine at McMaster and plans a post graduate specialty in either family medicine or pediatrics.

Heather W. Felton, BSc'95, is a computer specialist and is married to **Philippe Felton,** BEng'93. They live in Toronto.

Ahal Haddad, BSc'95, completed his McGill MBA in May 1997. He was married in Lebanon on August 10, 1996.

Machamad Arief Soendjoto, MSc'96, is a lecturer in the Faculty of Forestry, Lambung Mangkurat University, Indonesia.

SOCIAL WORK

Marion Kerans, BSW'49, has written a biography of **Muriel Ball Duckworth,** BA'29, LLD'84, published by Fernwood Publishing Co. Ltd., in Halifax. The book has been on the Nova Scotia bestsellers list, and has had successful launches across the country, from Halifax to Vancouver.

Felicia Carmelly, MSW'69, has published a book, *Shattered! 50 Years of Silence: History and Voices of the Tragedy in Romania and Transnistria.* The book presents a history of the events in Romania from WWI to the present, and includes previously unpublished government documents, original testimonies, and poetry. She is a psychologist in Toronto.

Penny Shtull, BSW'82, is an assistant professor of sociology and criminal justice at Trinity College in Burlington, Vermont. She has received a PhD in Criminal Justice from the City University of New York.

Sherri-Anne Rennie, BSW'93, was married in September to Robert Everitt. She lives in Montreal and works with Batshaw Youth and Family Centres in the Department of Youth Protection.

Jocelyne Morin, BSW'94, MSW'95, is a missionary. In 1995-96 she was a spiritual studies student at Milltown in Dublin. Since June 1996 she has been an Advisor for women's organizations in Mwanza, Tanzania.

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THE 1910s

Alice (Graham) Muir, DipEd'18, at Richmond, Que., on September 27, 1996.

THE 1920s

Edith Fee (Henry) Laing, Arts'20, at Kingston, Ont., on January 1, 1997.

Fannie Perron, BA'20, at Chicago in January 1997.

Boaz Rabinovitch, BSc'21, at Montreal on December 26, 1996.

Evelyn (Banfill) Hamilton, BA'22, at Toronto on January 17, 1997.

Thomas M. Kerr, BA'22, at Ottawa on October 4, 1996.

Edwin Johnston Curtis, MD'23, at Vancouver in December 1993.

Dorothy A. (Cross) Howat, BA'23, at Blairgowrie, Scotland, on July 14, 1996.

William Prudham, BA'23, BSc(Eng)'25, at Owen Sound, Ont., on February 27, 1997.

Jean E. Wighton, BA'23, at Montreal on February 19, 1997.

Lewis William Seale, BCom'24, at Oshawa, Ont., on January 9, 1997.

Esther E. Gallay, BSc'25, at Montreal on January 16, 1997.

Muriel M. Moffatt, BHS'25, at Vancouver on January 17, 1997.

Theophilus Hatton Wardleworth, BSc'25, at Montreal on December 31, 1996.

George Miller Hyde, BA'26, BCL'29, LLD'88, at Montreal on December 20, 1996.

Arthur Lister, BSc(Eng)'26, at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont., on November 23, 1996.

Kathleen (Duval) Charlebois, Dip(PE)'27, at Montreal on January 2, 1997.

Norman F. Finkel, DDS'27, in California on July 17, 1996.

Alice Willard Turner, BA'27, MA'28, at Etobicoke, Ont., on February 21, 1997.

Ruth (Reid) Williamson, BA'27, at Etobicoke, Ont., on August 6, 1996.

Mary E.A. Acland, DipNursAdm'28, at Toronto on February 28, 1997.

Grace C. Donnelly, BA'28, MD'41, at Vancouver on August 8, 1996.

Edward N. Wright, MD'29, at Thunder Bay, Ont., on September 20, 1996.

THE 1930s

Robert Budge Calhoun, BA'30, BCL'33, at Montreal on January 16, 1997.

Mary M. (Hume) Galt, DipLS'30, at Toronto on September 5, 1996.

Martin K. Levinson, BCom'30, at Ottawa in June 1996.

William A. Pitcairn, DDS'30, at Hudson, Que., on February 24, 1997.

Frances (Ash) Schachter, BA'30, at Montreal on January 4, 1997.

Kathryn (Stanfield) Davies, BA'31, BLS'37, at Victoria on January 30, 1997.

Edward McCracken, MA'32, at Montreal on January 19, 1997.

Arthur M. Minnion, BA'32, BCL'37, at Montreal on December 11, 1996.

Gordon Ross Forbes, BCom'33, BEng'37, at Kamloops, B.C., on September 14, 1996.

John R. Hogle, MD'33, at Brattleboro, Vermont, on August 18, 1996.

John Alexander Laing, BCom'33, at Victoria on October 26, 1996.

Evelyn (Ridge) Marston, BA'34, at Alamosa, Colo., on September 15, 1996.

E. Clarence (Tim) Mc Coy, BA'34, MD'39, at Vancouver on December 24, 1996.

William Stanford Reid, BA'34, MA'35, at Guelph, Ont., on December 28, 1996.

William G. Dore, MSc'35, at Ottawa on April 17, 1996.

Joseph Martin Gannon, MD'35, at Plainfield, N.J., on June 18, 1996.

Carl Joseph Jamieson, BEng'35, at Waterloo, Ont., on August 13, 1996.

Harold K. Morris, BEng(Mech)'35, at Cambridge, Ont., on September 4, 1996.

Lucy J. Senkeivitz, BA'35, at Montreal on January 13, 1997.

Rowan Corry Coleman, BA'36, at Montreal on September 21, 1996.

Edwin J. Fairbourn, MD'36, at Tacoma, Wash., on December 20, 1996.

Eileen Elizabeth Rodger, BHS'36, at Montreal on October 13, 1996.

Henry Urquhart Ross, BEng'36, MSc'38, at North York, Ont., on August 21, 1996.

Harold C. Vernon, BA'36, at Dearborn, Mich., on October 12, 1982.

J. Edward Vivian, BEng'36, at Burlington, Vt., on July 23, 1996.

William Anderson Duckett, BEng'37, at Newmarket, Ont., on February 5, 1997.

Gordon Meiklejohn, MD'37, DSc'91, at Denver on January 28, 1997.

Robert Sylvester, BA'38, at Boston on August 5, 1996.

Theodore Smith Beecher, BSc'39, MD'41, at Albany, N.Y., on October 2, 1996.

Walter Gordon Donnelly, BA'39, BCL'47, at Toronto on December 18, 1996.

Douglas H. Fullerton, BCom'39, MCom'40, at Ottawa on December 21, 1996.

THE 1940s

John A. Folkins, DDS'40, at Vancouver on January 3, 1997.

Gordon Waddell Thomas, BA'40, MD'43, at Mabou, N.S., on October 17, 1996.

Robert Ian Ross, BA'41, at Victoria on February 2, 1997.

Stephen Douglas Clark, MD'42, at Saint John, N.B., on January 5, 1997.

Kenneth H. Cunningham, BSc(Agr)'42, at Vancouver on December 5, 1996.

Maurice James Elder, BSc'42, MD'43, at Massena, N.Y., on September 23, 1996.

Frank Fowler, BEng'42, at St. Boniface, Man., on December 25, 1996.

Aileen (Bettesworth) Grassby, Arts'42, at Sudbury, Ont., on November 29, 1996.

H.A. Nelson Holland, BEng'42, at Saint John, N.B., on September 12, 1996.

Joseph Kage, DipSW'42, at Montreal on September 26, 1996.

Herbert Steinhouse, BA'42, at Montreal on September 21, 1996.

Donald Blair Baker, BEng'43, at Nepean, Ont., on July 24, 1996.

Stephen Drulak, MD'43, at Winnipeg on September 11, 1996.

Eric E. Fillmore, MD'43, in New Mexico on December 16, 1996.

Harold Arthur Norton, BEng(Chem)'43, at Kentville, N.S., on March 19, 1996.

Laurent Alexandre Bourgault, BEng'44, at St-Jerome, Que., on January 19, 1997.

George Borchard, DDS'45, at Montreal on January 7, 1997.

Ruth Jane (Sinclair) Gardner, Dip (PE)'45, BSc(PE)'53, at Peterborough, Ont., on December 19, 1996.

Myer Mendelson, BSc'45, MD'47, at New York on December 21, 1996.

Marjorie (Woolley) Pharr, BA'45, DipPT'47, at San Diego on December 29, 1996.

John Charles Burroughs, BEng'46, at Ste-Therese, Que., on August 30, 1996.

Emily Joan Curtis, BA'46, at West Vancouver on August 3, 1996.

Robert Yeoman Grant, BSc(Agr)'46, at Montreal on October 19, 1996.

David Fleetwood Kerr, BCom'46, at St. Catharines, Ont., on September 17, 1996.

Arthur Wellington Watson, BA'46, at Hamilton, Ont., on December 17, 1996.

Margaret Fleming, BCom'47, in Bermuda in August 1996.

Harry N. Lash, BA'47, MA'49, at Vancouver on November 30, 1995.

Helen Jean Martin, BSc'47, MSc'50, at Knowlton, Que., on October 19, 1996.

Miriam Elizabeth (Shaw) McKeage, BCom'47, at Sarnia, Ont., on November 11, 1996.

William Ritchie Rutherford, BCom'47, at St. Catharines, Ont., on January 27, 1997.

John Horsfall Taylor, BA'47, at Ste-Anne de Bellevue, Que., on December 22, 1996.

Norman Cohen, BCom'48, at Montreal on December 9, 1996.

Gordon Joseph Edelstone, BCom'48, at Montreal on September 3, 1996.

Rosa Bianca Gualtieri, BA'48, BCL'51, at Montreal in September 1996.

Michael Kilbertus, BEng'48, at Montreal on January 1, 1997.

James Leslie, BEng'48, at Windsor, Ont., on December 26, 1995.

Leo Margolis, BSc'48, MSc'50, PhD'52, at Nanaimo, B.C., on January 13, 1997.

George E. Singer, MD'48, at Vancouver on January 17, 1997.

Percival A. Tallman, BA'48, at Montreal on February 12, 1997.

IN MEMORIAM

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THE 1950s

Glynford Preston Allen, BSW'50, at Etobicoke, Ont., on January 7, 1997.

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Gail Frances (Asbury) Howarth, Science'59, MSc'68, at Ottawa on September 15, 1996.

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THE 1960s

Abdullah Yusuf Khan, BSc'60, MD'64, at St. Lucia, West Indies, on February 14, 1995.

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THE 1970s

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THE 1990s

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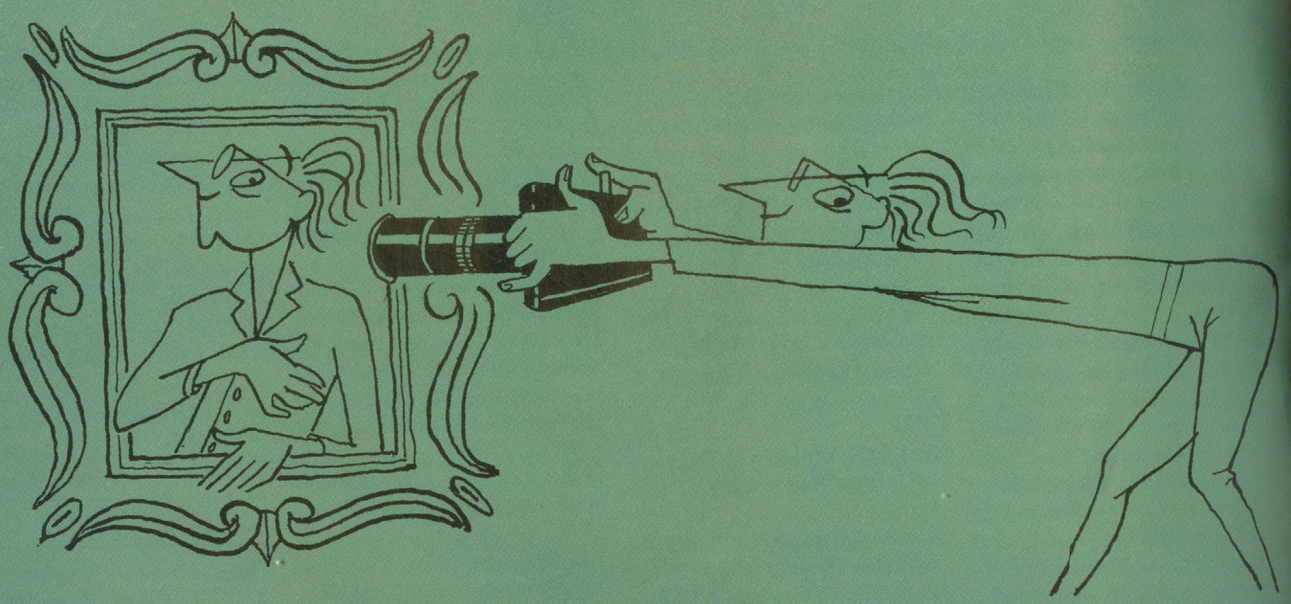
Our Apologies!

We incorrectly listed ***Gillian L. (Murray) Evans****, BSc'47, as deceased in our last issue. In fact, it was her husband, Trevor A. Evans, who had died at Salt Spring Island, B.C., on February 10, 1996. We also mistakenly listed* ***Brenda Ann Cornell****, BA'73, MA'74, as having died; she is alive and well. We apologize for the errors and for any inconveniences they may have caused.*



Harry Mayerovitch, BA'30, BEng(Arch)'33, is nothing if not prolific. An architect, a town planner, a teacher at McGill and Laval, as well as an artist, writer and musician: his résumé reads like a career wish list for an optimistic undergrad. Showing no inclination to slow down, Mayerovitch has just published *How Architecture Speaks – and Fashions Our Lives*, with Robert Davies Publishing. It's funny, it's informative, and it has great drawings. Not unlike this one here . ..

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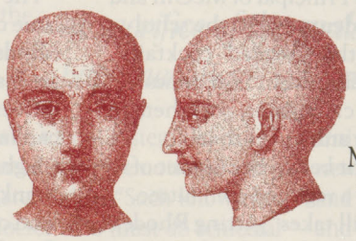
by Patrick McDonagh

10 Rhodes Scholars through the Ages

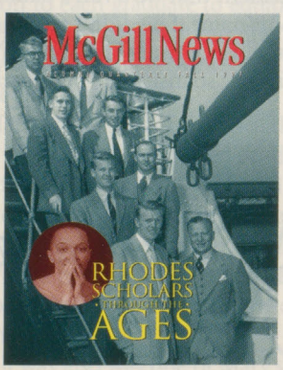
The Rhodes Scholarships is one of the most sought after scholarships in the world. Is McGill proud that we've got the most in the nation? You bet.

Compiled by Felixa de Amesti



20 Mighty Minds Coast to Coast

From Newfoundland to British Columbia, McGill alumni occupy the top academic offices in the land. From favourite book to deadly sins, they tell us their favourite things.



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Top left Otto Lang, right: Jim McWilliams, left: Bill Norrie, right: Storrs McCall, BA'52, left: David Harley, right: Robert (Roy) Morrison, BEng'53, left: Guy Maclean, right: Canadian Governor General Roland Michener boarding the Empress of Canada at the Montreal port. Inset: Rhodes Scholar Carellin Brooks, BA'93

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I once worked at a university that never had a Rhodes Scholar. You can imagine the image problem this presented. A senior administrator, new to the whole higher education scene, came rushing into the office breathless and flailing, "We need a Rhodes Scholar," he announced. "We've got to get a Rhodes Scholar!" (No doubt, he'd just attended a meeting on student recruitment.) Producing a Rhodes Scholar would, ostensibly, prove that the university was worth something, or more specifically that its student body was of high calibre, that at least one of its students could negotiate the rigorous Rhodes selection process and be found worthy.

Working at McGill has presented no such problems. McGill has the most Rhodes Scholars of any Canadian university and rarely a year goes by without an excited announcement from the McGill public relations office: "We got two" or "We've got three!" The two or three are, of course, the new McGill Rhodes Scholars, no doubt a little dazed from the arduous selection process which just put them before a 10-member committee of McGill professors, face-to-face with the Principal of McGill and the Dean of Students. Next, the scholars must attend the "dreaded" cocktail party – a customary event that draws together all the candidates, puts them in a room together and forces them to be genteel – right before the last set of interviews with a regional committee, of course. McGill takes "getting Rhodes Scholars" seriously. Consider the procedure.

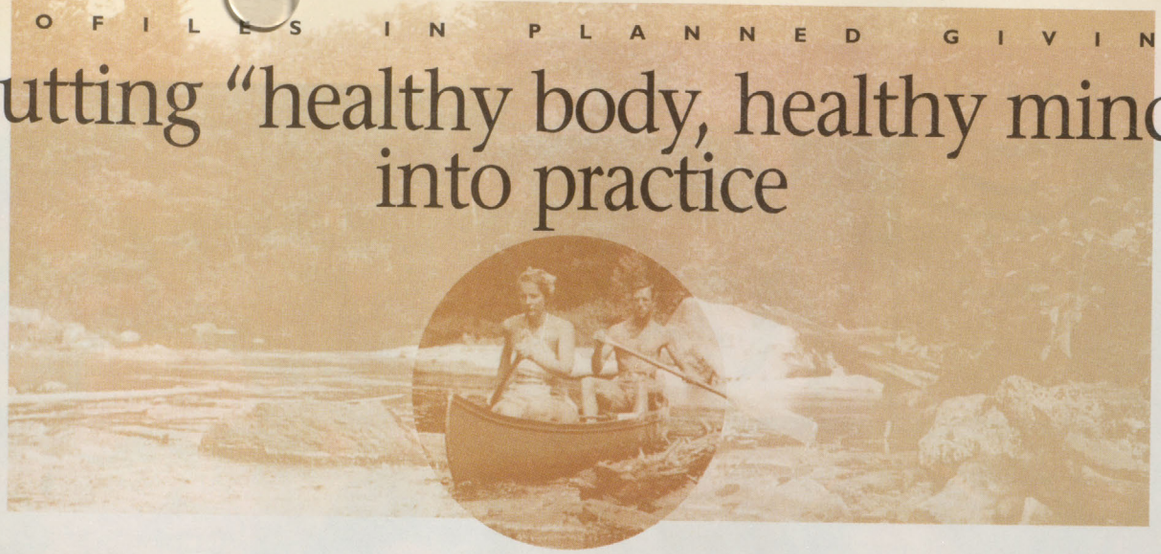
Firstly, the whole deal is run by the Dean of Students herself, instead of the regular scholarships and fellowships office. From the outset, McGill makes sure only the most likely to succeed begin the application process. Ads are placed in the student newspapers, *The Tribune* and the *McGill Daily*, and any student who wants a Rhodes application must attend an information session in September. (The rule is strict. In order to get a copy of the Rhodes application by fax, I had to promise not to give it out.) After the McGill screening, some 11 candidates are put forth. Between one and three McGill students win each year. A student who doesn't make the McGill cut can still apply directly to their home committee and hope for the best. Brave souls, they are. But the McGill endorsement seems to tip the odds. The McGill Rhodes Scholars bear the burden of great expectations. In this issue, we profile some of the Rhodes Scholars to see how they used their talents.

The pressure of expectations continues because the Rhodes Scholarship may very well be the most famous scholarship in the world – and definitely one of the most lucrative, two fully funded years of study including a travel grant. At McGill, the undergraduate scholarships of highest value are the Blouin-MacBain scholarships: $10,000 for a Canadian student and $15,000 for an international student. Two are awarded each year. The scholarships are named for Louise Blouin and John MacBain, BA'80, owners of Hebdo Mag International in Paris. The endowment is generous under any terms, but especially for such a recent graduate. Perhaps, it comes as no surprise, then, that John was a Rhodes Scholar and benefited from the endowed funds of Cecil Rhodes.

The *McGill News* academic bent this issue continues with our "Mighty Minds" section featuring alumni who are leading some of the most prestigious universities on the continent. As you can imagine, university presidents are a tough lot to track down. So there is a big thank-you to all the various assistants who cajoled them on our behalf. One fund-raiser went as far as to tell his president that we'd run a blank space under his name if he didn't respond. Absolutely, not true! The *McGill News* is not nearly so insistent. But nearly.

Janice Paskey

Putting "healthy body, healthy mind" into practice



People who knew Mary Brown describe her with words like "smart," "sharp" and "knowledgeable".

"You couldn't come up with a topic she knew nothing about," says her nephew, Douglas Davidson, a high school teacher who lives in Guelph, Ont. "If I mentioned that I was interested in something, I would find three books on the subject on my bedside table that night," adds her sister-in-law Elizabeth Davidson.

Mary Brown was born in 1910 and grew up in a family in which knowledge and learning were highly prized: her father was a dentist, her mother a high school science teacher and her two brothers became doctors. In a manner that was somewhat unusual for a woman in her day, she pursued higher education at length. Mary earned bachelors' degrees from the University of Western Ontario and the University of Toronto, as well as an MA from McGill in 1933.

"I believe that the undergraduate may too often have dreams of wealth and renown, which may be attained at sacrifice of the goals wherein happiness lies." **Mary Brown**

Mental health was one of her abiding interests. She believed that the school system did not equip students with the skills they need for the emotional and psychological challenges they face later in life. "Such knowledge is not just for the social worker or doctor who must do remedial work with individuals, " she wrote, "it should be knowledge common to each graduate to equip him to make judgments in his own decisions throughout life." Not long after graduation, Mary worked for the province of Ontario in the provision of mental health services.

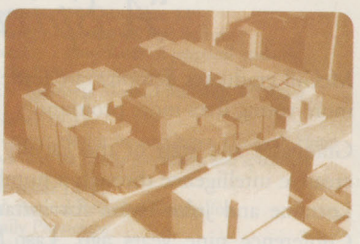
Mary Brown was of the "healthy body, healthy mind" school of thought. She played on the women's basketball teams at Western, U of T and McGill; and she and her husband Bill enjoyed nature walks, birding, hiking, canoeing, swimming and tennis. Bill discovered on the tennis courts of Kingston that Mary "liked his preference for a challenging game," as their neighbour and friend, Dale Canfield, puts it. That is in fact how the two met.

Bill was also was one of Mary's sustaining joys in life, friends and relatives say. Also the son of a health professional (a doctor who, while at McGill, won the Faculty of Medicine's Holmes medal for academic achievement) Bill Brown can be said to have been ahead of his time in the insurance industry. A prominent executive in New Jersey, where the couple moved, Bill joined the Society of Actuaries long before membership was widespread in the industry.

Tennis was not the only challenge Mary enjoyed; she delved deeply into anything she took up, says Bill Taylor. The Taylors knew the Browns as cottage neighbours in Kingsville, Ont. "With her, nothing was ever a passing fancy. When she got interested in something, she took it all the way." She was passionate about gardening, the opera, and art and was "an environmentalist before the term became fashionable," says her niece Nancy McQuillan.

Mary Brown's bequest to McGill speaks to many of her passions. Her extraordinarily generous gift will go to the creation of a major new student mental health and preventive medical care centre.

Her husband Bill strongly supported what Mary sought to do for McGill students and the University will name the new centre the William and Mary Brown Medical and Mental Health Centre. It is hoped that construction of the Centre, to be located in a new Student Services building will begin in September of 1998.



(Top) Mary and Bill Brown enjoying one of their favourite pastimes, canoeing.

(Top left) Mary Brown's McGill graduation photo.

(Bottom right) McGill's new Student Services Building (left quadrant) will house the William and Mary Brown Medical and Mental Health Centre.

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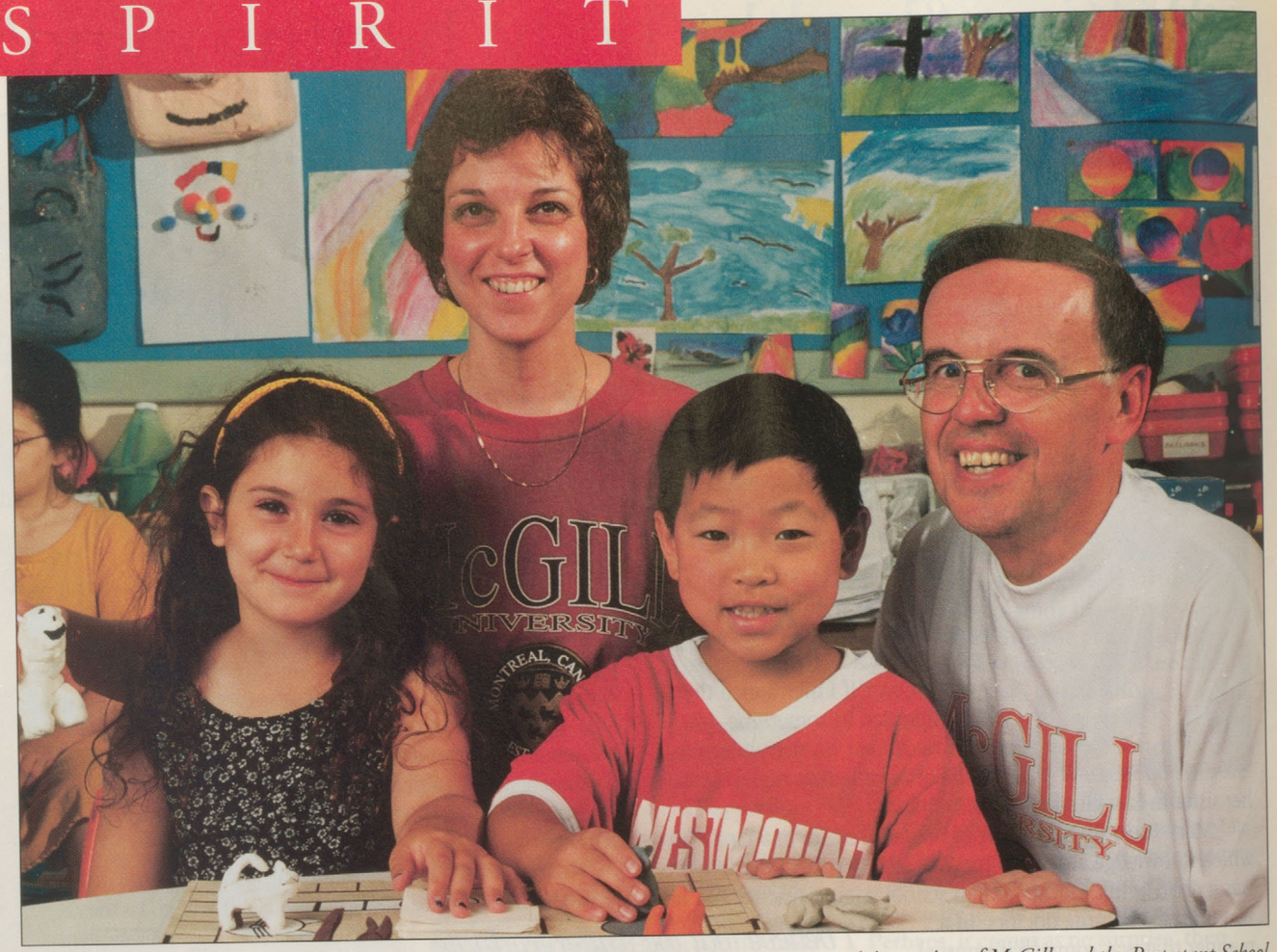

"Animals, Animals, Animals" just was one theme in this year's Explorations summer program, a joint project of McGill and the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal. Begun at McGill eighteen years ago, "it's now an eclectic enrichment program for ages 6 to 18," says Principal Bertha Dawang MEd'78. Students in the class above studied real and imaginary animals. Each child invented the layout and rules of a new board game; here, adult visitors John Ryan MEd'74, MA'80 and Lorraine Legault Ryan BEd'78 are learning one of them.

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Shame, shame, shame

I WAS HORRIFIED TO SEE THE OPENING headline "Beauty and Brains" (Summer '97) announcing the newest winners of scholarships named for pioneering McGill women. Has McGill yet to rise above the sexist attitudes which require the mention of a woman's physical attributes in association with her achievements, scholastic and otherwise?

The story below captioned "Irish Eyes," in contrast, omits adjectives such as "beautiful" and "blue" in describing the eyes of Gavin Ross, announcing his retirement from the McGill Alumni Association. It seems in his case, his physical attributes were not deemed relevant to his contributions to McGill.

Michael Savage, BCom'84
Department of Psychology
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Strong, silent type

YOUR ARTICLE ON MCGILL HALL-OF-Famer, Jack Gélineau, BCom'49, (Martlets, "Hall of Famers", Summer '97) was read with great interest. Permit one factual correction. Jack Adams was the majordomo with the Detroit Red Wings. Weston Adams, Sr. and Art Ross guided the fortunes of the Bruins. Jack Gélineau was an exceptional all-around athlete, as well as a good student. Jack was starring at Montreal Catholic High School, along with Fred and Tommy Bridel, BCom'48, while I was cribbing my way through D'Arcy McGee High School. Our two schools rivaled the Martins and the Coys. These institutions produced top athletes – although the ranks were badly decimated by the war years. The McGill Redmen were incredibly tough and talented in '46, led by their captain, Dr. Bob Brodrick, MD'47. They competed at every level with teams of semi-professional status. Tops in every endeavour, Jack Gélineau is deserving of all accolades. Incidentally, his career was not just "accountancy." He was a very competent administrator at a respected seniors' residence in Westmount for many years. He epitomized the "strong, silent" type which has become an extinct breed.

S.A. (Steve) Walker
LaSalle, Quebec

Bagg Street memoir

YOUR ARTICLE "RENEWAL: THE BAGG Street Synagogue" (Spring'97) brought forth a rush of memories.

In the area bounded by Pine, Hutchinson, Laval and Van Horne streets, it was possible to come across one of these houses of worship on most streets, every few hundred yards. Perhaps it is a childhood exaggeration but I would hazard that there were no less than 50 such institutions in the area. They were generally low on décor and often low on decorum; nonetheless, they helped forge good Canadians.

One can now walk through blocks of these streets and not even see a trace of what once was. In one house there used to be what we called the Rumainisheh Shul, at another the Poilisher, the Galitzianer, and so on. That they have all disappeared leaves one with a sadness and the wish to see preserved what little remains.

In our heritage, there is Yizkor, the injunction to remember.

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Members of the Joel Miller Quintet receiving their award at this year's Montreal Jazz Festival

Goodbye Peel Manor, Hello Nahum Gelber Law Library

Since it was built in 1944, Peel Manor has served as home to thousands of McGill related people. The 33-unit apartment building, tucked in beside Chancellor Day Hall on upper Peel St., was acquired by McGill in 1961 as an investment property. This past summer, the wrecking ball moved in, knocking down Peel Manor to make way for a new law library.

"The existing library," says Jane Lalonde, BA'83, of the McGill Development Office, "is totally inadequate. It's too cramped, too hot, the air is bad, and the noise level is atrocious." The book collection has fallen behind the times, too. "We're really good up to the late 70's," says head law librarian Robert Clarke, BA'77, MLS'83, "then we start to see gaps." There will be more space in the new building for books and journals, some of which have been in storage off-site.

The next phase is to expand the current collection and ensure the library is technologically leading edge. Every student space will be equipped with jacks for laptop computers, so that students can plug into the library databases easily. "This made more sense than buying a bunch of computer equipment that would be obsolete in five years," says Clarke, "and the library is working on a set-up kit that will configure students' computers for use of the electronic library resources." There will also be a computer training facility managed by library staff for teaching electronic legal information retrieval.

The law library should open in September 1998 and will be named the Nahum Gelber Law Library. Nahum Gelber QC, BA'54, BCL'57, a lawyer with the Montreal firm Chait Amyot, is a major donor for the library. "I'm a strong believer in learning and libraries," says Mr. Gelber. Other donations come from Senator Alan MacNaughton, IA'26, BCL'29, LLD'92, the Mitzi and Md Dobrin Foundation and the Helsam Foundation, and from leading national law firms. Total funding is approximately $1.1 million, all from private support. The provincial government was not asked to support the project, since they maintain McGill's overall library space is adequate, though the libraries have consistently ranked among the lowest in the *Maclean's* magazine survey of Canadian univesities.

Aside from serving McGill students and faculty, the law library is used regularly by members of the Montreal legal community, who can buy memberships to McGill's libraries for $200 ($100 for McGill Alumni), and by students from Université de Montréal and Université du Québec à Montréal. As well, ordinary citizens looking to hone their legal skills for a day in court use the library and are often helped by the staff in negotiating the stacks of arcane reference material.

Miller Time at Montreal Jazzfest '97

Each summer, hundreds of thousands of people descend on downtown Montreal to witness the countless performances – some unforgettable, some dubious – at the Montreal International Jazz Festival. One of the more important gigs for Canadian musicians are the shows by the ten finalists – culled from hundreds of demo tapes – in competition for the du Maurier Grand Jazz Award, which is given each year to the best performance by a Canadian group.

This year the award went to the Joel Miller Quintet, a Montreal-based ensemble made up of a number of McGill alumni and teachers, whose show July 1st won over an international jury made up of journalists and musicians from South Africa to Montreal. Miller, BMus'93, is a tenor saxophone player who's been composing steadily since he graduated, and his quintet plays original, contemporary jazz. Other members of the band are Tilden Webb, MMus'97, on piano, Joe Sullivan on trumpet, Kevin Coady, BMus'94, on drums, and the ubiquitous Montreal bassist Brian Hurley fleshing out the rhythm section. Webb and Sullivan are also part-time instructors at McGill.

The prize is substantial – $5000, plus the opening slot at the festival's gala closing concert at Place des Arts, which was headlined this year by two giants of Canadian jazz, Oliver Jones, DMus'95, and Rob McConnell. In addition, Miller's band is given a gig at the Canadian embassy in Washington, D.C. (we're not sure of the reasoning behind this – is Ambassador Chrétien a jazzhead?) and are invited to perform at next year's festival. Perhaps most significantly, the quintet also receives 40 hours of recording studio time and a contract for a CD release with Justin Time Records. Miller released his first CD in 1996, the highly praised *Find a Way* on Isthmus Records, recording with the same musicians, in addition to Juno Award-winner Ingrid Jensen, on trumpet, and Christine Jensen, BMus'94, on alto sax. The prize will give even more people an opportunity to hear this rising jazz talent.

Allo Police!

Un milieu universitaire plus sûr et paisible?

En implantant son nouveau modèle de Police de quartier, le Service de police de la Communauté urbaine de Montréal (SPCUM) vise à favoriser et à développer un milieu de vie plus sûr et paisible. Jugée relativement calme, la communauté universitaire devrait néanmoins profiter de ce nouveau profil.

«Nous avons déjà eu des rencontres avec divers intervenants de l'Université McGill afin de voir comment nous pouvons travailler ensemble, nous aider mutuellement, en vue d'accroître le sentiment de sécurité», souligne le commandant Daniel Rondeau, qui dirige le nouveau poste 19, appelé aussi Ville-Marie Nord.

Steve Paquin, chef du service de sécurité de l'Université McGill et ancien membre de la GRC, voit la présence de ce nouveau poste dans le voisinage d'un bon oeil et croit aussi que cela contribuera à améliorer la sécurité publique et la qualité de vie du quartier. «Il n'y a rien de mal à ce que les policiers se promènent simplement dans le quartier, sur le campus, afin de pouvoir mieux tâter le pouls de la vie étudiante et connaître les gens.»

Allô ! La police ?

Les deux hommes se sont rencontrés lors d'une réunion à laquelle assistaient également Nelson Marshall et Mario Morroni, deux policiers dont les titres d'agents socio-communautaires semblent refléter le nouveau virage amorcé au début de l'année par le SPCUM. D'autant plus que ce dernier est un ancien étudiant de McGill et qu'il sera donc en mesure de mieux cerner la problématique environnante.

Depuis, des membres des services de police et de la sécurité de l'Université sont presque quotidiennement en contact de manière à régler les problèmes et ce, de façon durable. Les policiers sont invités à parcourir le campus régulièrement et ils entendent bien le faire. Ainsi, leur présence sera davantage perçue comme routinière et habituelle, plutôt qu'un déploiement de forces lors d'incidents.

Inauguré le 29 janvier dernier, le nouveau poste de quartier, situé 380, rue Prince-Arthur ouest, couvre un territoire qui englobe le ghetto McGill ainsi que la portion de la rue Saint-Laurent comprise entre l'avenue des Pins et la rue Sherbrooke. Bon nombre des quelque 60 sergents et policiers oeuvrant, dont la moyenne d'âge est inférieure à trente ans, se sont déjà familiarisés avec le quartier, la localisation des pavillons de l'Université et les diverses mesures de sécurité ou d'urgence élaborées sur le campus. Ils sont conscients de la situation à l'Université et dans le ghetto.

«La rencontre a été très fructueuse. Elle nous a permis de vérifier le sérieux de leur démarche qui vise entre autres à tisser des liens avec la communauté universitaire», constate Victoria Lees, Secrétaire générale de l'Université, qui était également présente en compagnie notamment de Mme Rosalie Jukier, doyenne des services aux étudiants.

Ces premiers contacts ont contribué à poser les jalons d'un travail de collaboration, en s'appuyant notamment sur une meilleure compréhension du rôle et des attentes de chacun.

Pour la police, qui a toujours vu le milieu universitaire comme un univers clos ayant ses propres règles, la rencontre aura donc aidé à démystifier certaines croyances. Comme le fait que l'université ne remplace pas les parents et, par conséquent, ne contrôle pas le comportement des étudiants au sein des fraternités ou ceux qui vivent dans le ghetto McGill, là où les problèmes de bruit de musique trop forte, font l'objet de plaintes fréquentes auprès de la police.

«Il importe dorénavant de travailler en partenariat avec les organismes socio-économiques, les groupes communautaires, les citoyens et les institutions comme McGill. Le policier passera dorénavant plus de temps à chercher à résoudre les causes d'un problème», affirme Daniel Rondeau, qui est aussi détenteur d'un diplôme en Gestion des ressources humaines de l'École des Hautes études commerciales (HEC).

«On ressent toujours un certain malaise lorsqu'on voit des policiers se promener sur un campus. D'autant plus que le milieu universitaire croit généralement vivre dans un monde à l'abri du mal et de la violence. Or, on doit apprécier davantage la présence policière, et cette présence peut s'avérer plus rassurante pour tous», reconnaît Victoria Lees.

Mieux vaut prévenir

Tous conviennent néanmoins que l'Université McGill, et le quartier connu sous le nom de "ghetto McGill" où habitent de nombreux étudiants, sont somme toute assez sûrs. Ainsi, lorsque le quartier faisait partie de l'ancien district 25, les policiers avaient beaucoup plus à faire dans le Vieux-Montréal, ou encore sur les rues Crescent et Saint-Denis, qu'au nord de la rue Sherbrooke.

Ce qui ne signifie pas pour autant que la criminalité y est totalement absente. Ainsi, les effets personnels des étudiants et du personnel universitaire sont souvent la proie des voleurs qui rôdent autour des bibliothèques ou des bureaux. «L'Université se présente comme une communauté ouverte. Or, il est difficile pour nous d'enrayer ce genre d'incidents qui surviennent surtout à cause de la négligence des gens», note Steve Paquin en précisant que les vols par effraction dans les autos ou les domiciles sont aussi courants.

Par ailleurs, «de nombreuses étudiantes ne se sentent pas toujours en sécurité dans le ghetto. Il y a eu des agressions par le passé et même si des programmes comme Walksafe ont amélioré la situation, il y a encore des craintes», souligne Barbara Timmins du Centre des agressions sexuelles de McGill, qui à cet égard espère bientôt rencontrer les policiers du poste 19.

Les policiers du poste 19, rue Prince Arthur

An "A" For

by Patrick McDonagh

"I'm very boring," claims Rhonda Amsel, BSc'71, MSc'77, a reluctant star. But her students might disagree. Amsel, who teaches statistics (also labelled "very boring" by those who haven't taken her courses) in the Psychology department, was chosen from among 47 nominees as the 1997 Canadian Professor of the Year, a $5,000 award granted by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) in Washington, D.C.

While modest to the point of being self-effacing, Amsel is also engaging and witty. It isn't difficult to see why students warm to her, even in the cold cavernous auditoriums where she teaches Introductory Statistics to classes of 400 students. Yet teaching was not initially in the cards. "I was hired by the Psychology department in 1973 as a statistician consultant, not as a teacher. I was shoved into teaching," she recalls. The push came from the administrative assistant at the time, Marjorie Rose, who countered Amsel's protests that she was too shy by saying, "Yes, you're right."

Introductory Statistics is not the most popular of courses. "Students are very negative coming into it," Amsel concedes. "They think they don't need it, that it's too dry. They wonder if they are being punished." But statistics is compulsory for many programs. "Students need to understand statistics to understand research in their areas," she says. The challenge is to take a topic that is potentially as dry as Saskatoon in summer, and freshen it up.

"There are lies, damned lies, and statistics," opined Disraeli in the nineteenth century. Amsel's course teaches students to discern how statistics work, so that they cannot be deceived. She pillages popular culture and media for examples of how statistics permeate our world. "Almost every day I can find something statistical in the newspaper. I bring in funny articles: for instance, 'Do Canadians believe in ghosts?' and compare responses from each province. We consider how such a survey might be done. And of course, political results, sports, reports on scientific research all include statistics. I teach them to read statistics critically," says Amsel, "but we have fun, too."

Having fun goes a long way towards making statistics non-threatening. "I avoided math like the plague," recalls Ray Satterthwaite, BA'90, now director of McGill's Annual Fund, "but she made it interesting. And you know she cares about her students, that they understand the content, because she's always available in or out of class. I wouldn't have made it though stats without her help." Amsel constantly tries to improve her courses. "Recently, I realized that anxious students approached assignments in a way that wasn't productive, paying too much attention to grades and not enough to what they could do to improve," Amsel says. "So I took the grades off the assignments, replaced them with comments, and asked for whatever revisions were necessary. If students still were struggling after a couple of revised submissions, we had interviews with them. "Fortunately," she adds, "I have wonderful teaching assistants who are very dedicated." The consequence of Amsel's adjustment? The students, especially those who were struggling, were more comfortable asking her or the teaching assistants for help, and the bottom level of the class gained noticeably on the top level.

Although statistics courses occupy Amsel's classroom time, her McGill activities extend beyond teaching. As Associate Dean of Student Services, Amsel meets with students who have problems ranging from course work to battles with university bureaucracy to unemployment. She is a veteran of finding innovative ways to assist students. Ten years ago, she helped develop material to assist students with disabilities and their professors. "I had a student who was deaf and who didn't tell me until about two weeks through a one-month course," she explains. "I realized that I had to do something to encourage students to be more forthcoming about their needs." This led to research with Dr. Cathy Fichten of Montreal's Jewish General Hospital on perceptions of accommodations for students with disabilities, material to help faculty help students, and, most recently, an appearance in a McGill instructional video about teaching students with disabilities.

Amsel looks bemused when asked what motivates her. "I like students," she responds. "If you don't like students, you won't like teaching. I like making a difference in their perception of a topic. Teaching means putting in solid effort all along, organizing and reorganizing – because I change things every year. Teaching," she emphasizes, "is steady work."

Steady work, along with imagination, integrity, and a sincere concern for her students: the characteristics of Rhonda Amsel, and clearly the ingredients for a professor of distinction.

Amsel

RHODES SCHOLARS ~THROUGH THE~ AGES

THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP IS THE MOST SOUGHT AFTER OF SCHOLARSHIPS, PROVIDING TWO YEARS OF FUNDED STUDY IN THE LEGENDARY OXFORD WORLD. ~ SO IT'S NO SURPRISE MCGILL IS MORE THAN PROUD IT HAS MORE RHODES SCHOLARS THAN ANY OTHER CANADIAN UNIVERSITY. ~ IS THE SCHOLARSHIP A CURSE OR DOES IT GIVE ITS RECIPIENTS A LEG UP FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES? ~ HERE ARE SOME OF THEIR STORIES.

DAVID WANKLYN, MSC'51, PHD'52

Rhodes Scholar 1946
Soldier, Nuclear Physicist, Retired

At my Rhodes interview I was asked to elaborate about my plan to study "Unclear Physics." I meant to write "nuclear physics" but my handwriting tripped me up.

Nonetheless, I received the Rhodes Scholarship and returned to McGill to do a PhD in nuclear physics. I worked at the Radiation Laboratory then went to work in the sugar industry, initially in engineering, for the next 30 years. The Rhodes Scholarship certainly changed my life for the years 1946-1949, and it left me with an improved ability to learn, a broader general outlook, and many pleasant memories. The Scholarship remains an important milestone but I do not feel that my life was changed by it.

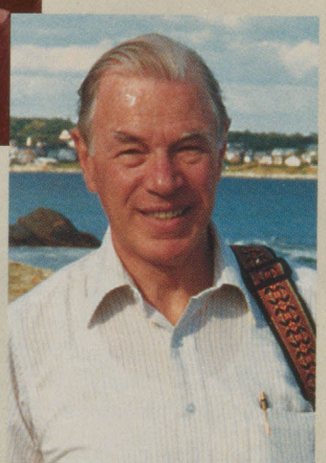
MERVYN L. WEINER, BCOM'43

Rhodes Scholar 1946
Chevy Chase, Maryland

In 1946, I was an artillery captain posted to the Army's repatriation depot in Aldershot, England, and saw a notice inviting members of Canada's Armed Forces to apply for a Rhodes Scholarship. That was when I first contemplated a Rhodes Scholarship as a possible, if improbable, route to re-entering civilian life.

The daily life for Rhodes Scholars was considerably different then. For instance, the caloric demands of winter rowing training and spring racing were not always easy to satisfy while I rowed for Balliol in an England still on rations. In 1949, I had a summer job at the United Nations which led, in 1951, to a full-time job with the then tiny and virtually unknown Washington-based International Bank of Reconstruction and Development, now The World Bank. I was married three months later, leading my wife to remark that I married the Bank first, and then her.

I left the World Bank after 33 years as Director-General, Operations Evaluation, in 1984 and continued to consult. But it is my most recent adventure, in the Churchillian mode, making visual art that has turned out to be unexpectedly fulfilling. If I can still recall the purplish cast of a late afternoon sky over Christ Church meadow, why didn't I begin back then?



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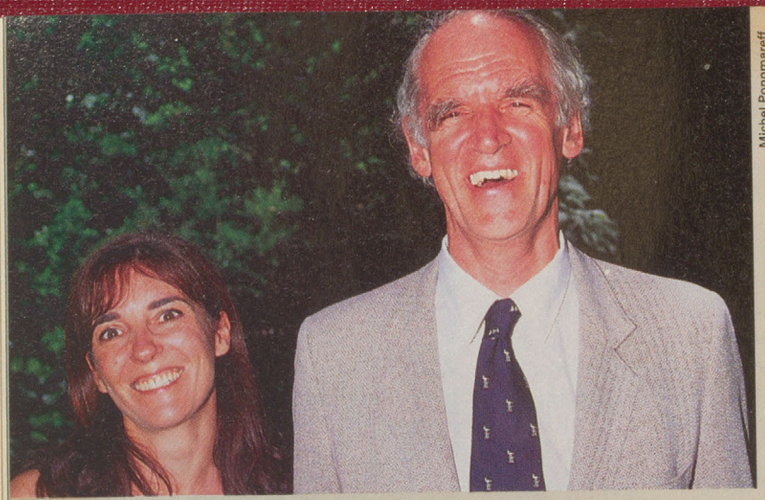

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CHARLES TAYLOR, BA'52
Philosophy Professor, McGill University

McGill's renowned philosophy professor thinks the Rhodes Scholarship committee gave him "points" for being bilingual, but couldn't think of much else that recommended him. Others might cite sheer academic excellence. In all, Taylor spent 11 years at Oxford completing a PhD and working with philosopher Isaiah Berlin. "This was the post-war period," Taylor recalled. "There was still rationing but a feeling that prosperity had arrived.

"There were brilliant graduates from all over, and a tremendously vigorous intellectual life. People were forming societies to discuss various topics. The tutorial system was used – which is a superb system if it's done by people who are into it," he recalled recently. Taylor says the Rhodes Scholarship allowed him to travel widely in Europe and study European philosophy. "Had I gone to the United States, I don't think I would have had the exposure to French and German thought which shaped my thinking," he says. Today, the much decorated philosopher has a two-year Canada Council grant to write a book on the political culture of modernity. (He returns to teaching at McGill in September 1998.) Charles Taylor lives in Montreal with his wife, Aube Billard (see above photo), whom he married in December 1995.

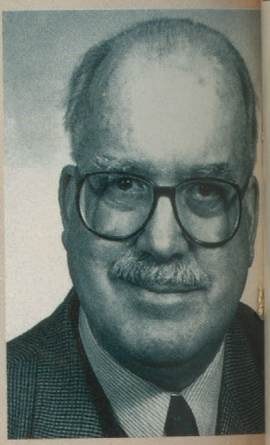
STORRS McCALL, BA'53
Philosophy Professor, McGill University

Who knows what impresses the Rhodes Scholar committee? When I applied they seemed interested in my summer job on Baffin Island studying landlocked cod. Professor Max Dunbar's little research trawler "Calanus" left me and another student at Ogac Lake on the shores of Frobisher Bay in July and picked us up in September. During that time we caught many of those intriguing cod, returning via Churchill after a hazardous journey across Hudson's Bay.

They say the definition of a Rhodes Scholar is "a man who had a glorious future." I never felt any pressure but the Rhodes Scholarship gave me some momentum early in my life.

At that time, in the 1950s, Oxford led the world in philosophy, and I signed up for a new degree called the "Bphil." Ludwig Wittgenstein died in 1951, but the English translation of his *Philosophical Investigations* had just appeared, and every graduate seminar was filled with students debating excitedly its enigmatic contents. Wittgenstein was the clear winner – no one succeeded in understanding him, and yet his grip on our imaginations was unrelenting. When I left Oxford I taught at McGill, and later shuttled back and forth for 11 years between the University of Pittsburgh and Makerere University in Uganda, where I instituted the teaching of philosophy in 1965. My wife Ann and I spent five unforgettable years in Uganda and two of our children were born there. Our last six months fell under Idi Amin's dictatorship, and we grieved the devastation with our Ugandan friends. Had it not been for the Rhodes, things would have gone very differently for me – even though my present views are far removed from Ludwig Wittgenstein's!

JOHN M. FRASER, BA'55
Retired Canadian Ambassador, Ottawa



Although my academic and student activity credentials were respectable, my athletic accomplishments were close to non-existent. Many Rhodes Scholarship selection committees would no doubt have ruled me out for that reason. Fortunately the Quebec committee took a flexible view of the athletic dimension.

All I can remember about my interview is that I was terrified of over-sleeping and missing it. I asked various friends to telephone that morning. I woke early, of course, and spent the following half-hour answering the phone.

When I left McGill, I assumed that I would become a newspaper reporter, although the foreign service was on my mind – I served for 36 years. My foreign service career included involvement as China Desk Officer in the negotiations for establishing diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China from 1968 to 1970. I then went to Peking in January 1971 to open our Embassy as Chargé d'Affaires. In 1980 I was appointed Ambassador to Poland, where Solidarnosc was suppressed by the imposition of martial law in December 1981. In 1983 I was transferred to Belgrade, as Canadian Ambassador to Yugoslavia. Returning to Ottawa in 1987, I became the Director-General of the Foreign Intelligence Bureau (renamed the Foreign Assessments Bureau a year or two later). After two years as a Foreign Service Visitor at Carleton University I retired from the Public Service in 1994.

Storrs McCall (circled) boarding the Empress of Canada

YVES FORTIER, BCL'58

Chairman and Partner, Ogilvy Renault
Montreal

Being selected as one of Quebec's Rhodes Scholars in the fall of 1957 remains today one of the most moving moments of my life. It afforded me the opportunity to spend two years at Oxford in the company of exceptional fellow students. The Oxford environment, the new friends I made, my studies, have all left their indelible mark on me.

It was only some six months prior to the interview that I began to think about the possibility of becoming a Rhodes Scholar. I did so at the instigation of my girlfriend's father who had studied at Cambridge and who also had two cousins who had been Rhodes Scholars (Erskine and Norwood Carter from New Brunswick).

I do remember the breadth of the questions during the Rhodes interview. Clarence Campbell, then President of the National Hockey League, engaged me in a conversation about sports in general, hockey in particular. The Chairman of the committee, N.R. Crump, Chairman of the Canadian Pacific Railway, asked me questions about the building of the railway in the 19th century and so on. To this day, I remember the telephone call informing me that I had been selected. This was on a Saturday afternoon. That evening with my girlfriend Carol Eaton (now my wife) and classmates from McGill was memorable, as you can imagine.

Prior to going to Oxford, I intended to become a lawyer. When I returned to Canada, I had not changed my mind but I had a far broader vision. Principally, Oxford made me more intellectually curious about not only the law, but also history, politics, the arts, etc.

I have had a very busy life since I returned from Oxford with the privilege of serving as Canada's permanent representative and Ambassador to the United Nations from July 1988 to January 1992.

"... I had been advised that the Quebec interview panel was not well disposed towards Jewish candidates, and a Catholic priest quizzed me about my involvement with Hillel. Yet far from holding my religious involvement against me, this apparently counted strongly in my favour..."

– Gordon Wasserman

GORDON J. WASSERMAN, BA'59

Special Adviser (Science and Technology)
to the Police Commissioner of the City of New York

In the summer after third year, I had a World University of Canada Fellowship and met Peter Wiles, an economist at New College, Oxford. This was the first time I thought about what the Rhodes Scholarship might represent in terms of intellectual development and pure pleasure.

I asked McGill Principal F. Cyril James for his advice. He was encouraging and said that he would be delighted to recommend me. That clinched it. I had been advised that the Quebec interview panel was not well disposed towards Jewish candidates, and a Catholic priest quizzed me about my involvement with Hillel. Yet far from holding my religious involvement against me, this apparently counted strongly in my favour.

Winning the Rhodes Scholarship completely changed my life. I fell in love with (and in) Oxford and stayed for eight years, first as a graduate student, then as a teacher and researcher in economics. In 1967, I became the first Economic Adviser of the Home Office and Assistant Undersecretary of State for Police Science and Technology. I took voluntary early retirement in June 1995 and am now Special Adviser to the Police Commissioner of New York City.

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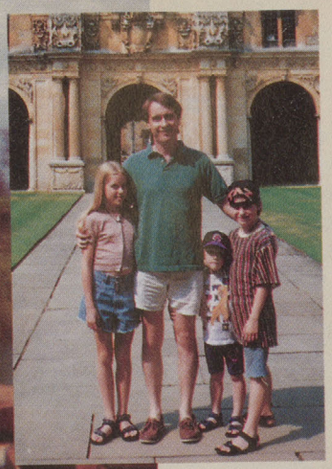


JOHN A. COLEMAN, BA'75, LLB'80, BCL'80

Partner, Ogilvy Renault
Montreal

I presented myself with long hair, a corduroy jacket and jeans (McGill uniform for 1974), at the exclusive Mount Royal Club before a committee which included Peter Blaikie, Francis Fox, Michel Vennat and Yves Pratt. I was fortunate not to have to compete with 50 percent of the population; women were ineligible then. I believe I endeared myself to the committee by chain-smoking throughout the interview and, after leaving the room, returning in the middle of their post-interview deliberation to retrieve half a pack of cigarettes that I had forgotten.

Did I enjoy my Oxford experience? I must say, in my case, Oxford was an acquired taste. My first year got off to a rough start. Picture some 40-odd North American Rhodes Scholars setting sail from New York on the QEII in September 1975. The Atlantic was huge and awe-inspiring but nothing like some of the egos on board, each scholar feeling somehow that he had to justify himself.

When we arrived at Southampton, I knew it would be an interesting year. Upon docking the ship was impounded. It was rumoured that arms destined for the IRA had been found on board. We didn't get our luggage for a month.

The next devastating moment occurred when, after struggling day and night to read in the original Greek and prepare an analysis of one of Æschylus' tragedies, with thoughts of Stephen Leacock's tales of pipe-smoking tutors, I proudly read my work to my tutor. After contorting his body into a clove hitch that would have gained him acceptance to the Cirque du Soleil, the tutor stared up at the ceiling and muttered disdainfully that my analysis was, he supposed, "a rather North American way of looking at the question." I changed my program from Greek philosophy to law.

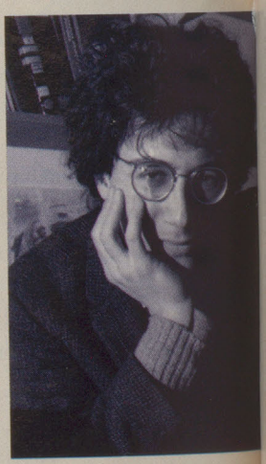
Perhaps the very "lawyerly" composition of the Rhodes selection committee explains how I ended up practicing law today at Ogilvy Renault; frankly, had someone foretold my future, I would never have believed it. Given the mores of the times, I confess that I might have even shuddered at the thought!

JAMES DER DERIAN, BA'78

Professor, Political Science
University of Massachusetts at Amherst

I consider my Rhodes scholarship as a "propitious accident." After McGill, I visited a professor at MIT who sold me on the place and insisted I rush to pick up the application forms. By accident I also picked up an application for a Rhodes. I filled it out and was invited to an interview in Chicago, my home district. It started with a ridiculous cocktail hour with very pointed questions: Why I had chosen to attend McGill? Since the real reason was a bit lame – my older sister's best friend had a brother who had gone there and liked it – I played up McGill's good reputation and low tuition. That seemed to satisfy them I was not a draft dodger or un-American.

One physicist, who noted I had not taken a single science course at McGill, asked me to relate a Shakespearean play and the law of thermo-dynamics. I bluffed by saying something about entropy and The Tempest. When I was selected – I felt elation. Later, I also felt guilt: after all, this was money tainted by the legacy of Rhodes' exploiting of southern Africa. During our passage on the QEII to England, a small group of us organized a petition requesting an inquiry into the holdings of the Rhodes Trust in South Africa. Others were less impressed.



At Oxford I switched my major (Charles Taylor had already covered the philosophy material at McGill) and graduated in international relations. Then I moved to New York to try to make it as a photographer. No one took me seriously. I quickly ran out of money, and found a job serving tea to graduate students at the Columbia School of International Affairs. One day the Dean, Al Stephan, struck up a conversation. When he found out that I was a "Balliol Man" (our college at Oxford), he was aghast. The old boys' network kicked in, and the next semester I found myself teaching international relations at Columbia – the last of a series of fortunate accidents.

DR. GEOFFREY E. DOUGHERTY, MD'79, MSC'86

Rhodes Scholar 1983
Director, Intensive Ambulatory Care Service,
The Montreal Children's Hospital,
& Assistant Professor of Pediatrics
& Epidemiology and Biostatistics, McGill University

I was one of the youngest Rhodes Scholars, if not the youngest, from Canada. The selection committee asked me about the moral issues surrounding abortion. I felt particularly strongly about this as a Roman Catholic, and my answer focused on the balance of harm and relative interests of the fetus and the mother. In the end, I believe I came down with some struggle on balance in favour of a woman's right to choose.

At Oxford, I played ice hockey and lacrosse, and was President of the Raleigh Club (a political society). I experienced an incredible freedom to discuss, to think, and to read. In

Dr. Dougherty with family

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– Warren Cabral

that sense, returning to Montreal was a substantial letdown, and I think I was actually mildly depressed for a period of time. I completed medical school at McGill, and am now a pediatrician and an epidemiologist with a wife and young family. We live close to McGill, and I teach McGill medical students.

I have not followed the typical course of many Rhodes Scholars who ventured into political or public life, so it did not change me in that sense. Rather, perhaps, it reinforced my pre-existing will to be my own person, go my own way, and believe in my own positions and thoughts.

WARREN CABRAL, BA'82

Rhodes Scholar 1982-1983
Partner, Appleby, Spurling & Kempe,
Co-Owner, Warren Cabral TV Production
Bermuda

I have read articles in the Canadian press denigrating the Bermuda award of the Rhodes Scholarship. Let me simply inform Canadian readers that the majority of recent holders of the Bermuda Rhodes were educated at leading Canadian private schools, and thereafter at leading Canadian universities, typically finishing within the top five in their class. The Bermudans concerned are as academically qualified as any Canadian holder. If Cecil Rhodes saw fit to include Bermuda in the scholarship cachement, then it does not fall to modern commentators to criticize.

The idea to apply for the scholarship was suggested by a McGill friend as we rode side by side on mopeds blocking the Bermuda traffic. My inquiries were strongly encouraged by the late Chester Butterfield, BA'48, then secretary of the Bermuda Rhodes Committee.

At the interview, I was asked to deal with Bermuda's racial questions. I approached these as a person of Portuguese origin, who was classified for census purposes in a category other than "white." I flatter myself that my practical racial views met with the committee's approval. Equally, I imagine the committee wanted to introduce a new type of Bermudan who would represent the country at Oxford.

Winning the Rhodes Scholarship had a profound effect on

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DONALD LAVELL LLOYD-SMITH, BSc'39, MD'41

1940
DOUGLAS GEORGE CAMERON, MD'40
DUNCAN J. MACDONALD, BSc(Agr)'40

1941
PERCIVAL TALBOT MOLSON
DONALD BARKER WELLINGTON ROBINSON, PhD'43

1946
H. FERGUSON SCOTT
DAVID I. WANKLYN, MSc'51, PhD(Agr)'52
MERVYN L. WEINER, BCom'43

1949
ALAN G. KENDALL, BSc'48, MD'54

1950
ROBERT CRANFORD PRATT, BA'47

1952
CHARLES TAYLOR, BA'52

1953
CHARLES THEODORE MILLER COLLIS
R. STORRS MCCALL, BA'52
ROBERT NEIL MORRISON, BEng(Mech)'53

1954
BRIAN C. GOODWIN, BSc'52, MSc'54
ROBERT MURRAY MUNDLE, MD'59

1955
JOHN M. FRASER, BA'55

1957
ROBERTO DOMENICO GUALTIERI, BA'57
JOHN DOEHU STUBBS, BSc'56, MD'56

1958
L. YVES FORTIER, BCL'58

1959
GORDON J. WASSERMAN, BA'59

my life. It was at Oxford that I felt most at home and accepted. It was a richly romantic world.

Academically, I did not rate Oxford as highly as I did McGill, notwithstanding one of my tutors' description of my McGill degree as a "certificate." That is not to say that Oxford is not stuffed with clever people and brilliant books. It is just that, when it comes down to the mechanical process of training undergraduates, it fails. Tutors disdain their role as teachers and there is no system whereby students "rate" them, as was the case at McGill. Reading materials are poorly organized, and the absence of structure means, at least for a North American, that it is difficult to see the way forward to acquiring knowledge.

I enjoyed the various rituals of life at Oxford, including dressing up for dinner and passing port to the left. Indeed, I am still puzzled about passing the port: if the decanter is supposed to stay in perpetual motion, I have never understood when one is to drink it.

My wife is Louise Foister Cabral. We met through friends when I was passing through Oxford on a holiday. So you could say as a consequence of Cecil Rhodes, I am now a happily married man.

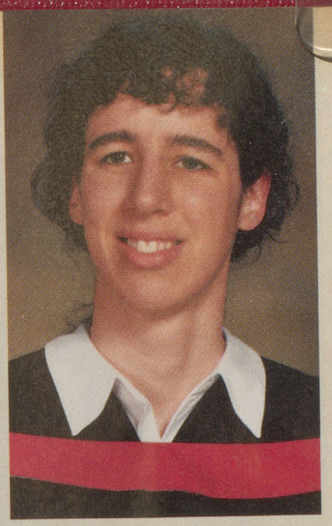
WILL HINZ, BCOM'83, DIPED'88, MA'91,

Rhodes Scholar, 1983
Civil litigator, Nellivan Power, Ottawa

If I were to have dinner with Cecil Rhodes, I would thank him for giving me the opportunity to spend three wonderful and stimulating years at Oxford.

I recall that my interviewers asked me: If you were the President of the United States, would there be any circumstances in which you would authorize the use of nuclear weapons? After a long pause, I replied: "If I were the President of the United States, I would not tell you or anyone else whether I would ever actually authorize the use of nuclear weapons. By keeping everyone guessing, the deterrent value of possessing nuclear weapons would remain intact."

The best things about Oxford: the tutorial system and the quality of instruction, meeting students from around the world, and the English pubs (not necessarily in that order). The worst things about Oxford: college food, wet and dreary winters, and an absence of computer technology (at least during the mid-eighties).



LESLEY FELLOWS, BSC'90, MD'96

Resident, Montreal General Hospital

The dinner event in Halifax was a little sadistic, with the selection committee suggesting that our table manners were being graded. Meanwhile, this group of intense, ambitious people attempted polite conversation while surreptitiously checking out the competition.

The interview itself was something of an anti-climax after surviving dinner and the entire day of nail-biting before my turn arrived. I didn't have long to sweat before I received the phone call telling me I had been selected.

After the initial elation wore off (which took some time!), I had to come to terms with this sudden twist in my plans. Medical school had to be deferred, and my significant other talked into a two-year trans-Atlantic relationship.

The highlight of Oxford was the fascinating array of people. I played basketball for the university on a team of foreign students. Between the 12 of us, we spoke 16 languages, with a diversity of backgrounds to match.

I also enjoyed the charming, eccentric dons and profs that I encountered at formal dinners, particularly those who didn't take it all too seriously. I recall one dinner at Rhodes House, seated next to a College principal who explained solemnly that Cecil Rhodes had laid aside funds for this dinner with the express purpose of polishing our colonial manners. She then proceeded to induct us into the mysteries of "passing the port," a skill I have had cause to call upon since more often than one might imagine.

Being a woman Rhodes Scholar did lead to a sense of subversiveness. Despite the fact that I met the criteria of the scholarship almost to the letter, I knew full well that I was not the sort of person Cecil Rhodes had been planning to train to go back home and lead Her Majesty's Colonies to greater glory.

I finished my DPhil, between college wine tastings and games of croquet. I then returned to McGill to study medicine. I hope eventually to combine clinical practice with basic research. And I am trying not to forget what I learned at Oxford . . . (now, is the port passed to the right, or to the left?).

FIONA S. STEWART, BA'91

Fiction Editor, Harper Collins
London, England

When measured against the criteria outlined by Cecil Rhodes in his will, I failed miserably – a strapping young man who excelled in sport I was not, and I lacked the element of brutality that Rhodes unofficially recorded in his diary as a desired charac-

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– Fiona Stewart

teristic for all Rhodes Scholars. Not only was I a woman whose principal academic interest was feminist literary theory, but my 'sports' were helping to coordinate McGill Nightline and editing fiction for McGill's literary journal, Scrivener. I think it's worthy to note I was the only McGill applicant who didn't attend a private school.

The selection process was lengthy and intense: six letters of reference, an essay, a series of interviews, and of course the dreaded cocktail party, where the entire selection committee and all the hopeful candidates gathered together in an "informal" setting to test our social skills. It was held in a grand room at a private club and was full of highly intimidating undergraduates, many of whom had flown back from their Ivy League universities in the States just for the occasion. I got trapped in a corner by one Harvard hopeful, whose opening line was, "I have a 4.0 GPA. What's yours?" I lunged for the bar to escape.

When I was awarded the Rhodes Scholarship I was disbelieving. I think this feeling is common to most Rhodes Scholars, because your life really does suddenly turn upside down with that one phone call. Suddenly, I was going to Oxford on a full scholarship and my immediate future was firmly established.

Although Oxford perhaps wasn't the academic hotspot I expected, one of the continuing strengths of both Oxford and Cambridge is their ability to attract an incredibly cosmopolitan and diverse group of international students. I learned more from the casual debates and intellectual discussions than I ever did within the formal settings.

De Kerckhove: expert jazz singer and physicist

DIANE DE KERCKHOVE, BSC'95 (PHYSICS)

Rhodes Scholar 1995
DPhil, Nuclear Physics
Balliol College, Oxford

At first I thought I'd have no chance at the Rhodes Scholarship since my "sport" was dancing: ballet, modern and jazz ballet. However, the committee was quite open-minded, much to my delight!

The question which stayed in my mind was: "If you could meet anyone in the world, who would it be?" I finally decided on three: Socrates, for his incredible wisdom and rhetorical skills. I think it would be bliss to just listen to him unravel other people's arguments and pick out the flaws. Billie Holiday, because she was one of the greatest jazz singers ever, and her life was incredibly difficult. Her songs and voice seemed to convey a whole palette of emotions and heartache while at the same time rising above them. And, finally, Eleanor of Aquitaine, because she was a powerful and enigmatic woman in her day, and I would have loved to talk about her marriages, and politics in the Middle Ages.

I am doing my DPhil at Balliol College in the Nuclear Physics Laboratories. My research involves using a scanning proton microscope, which allows for mapping the trace elements in a sample, among other things. For example, last year I analyzed hair from the 5,300-year-old Iceman (the mummy found frozen in the Alps between Austria and Italy) and was interviewed on television with my supervisor.

Oxford's social life is unique: formal dinners and "bops" (disco nights) abound. On any given winter's night, one never

1961
MICHAEL BARRY WALKER, BENG'61

1963
MARCEL MASSE, BCL'61

1964
RALPH CHARLES SUTHERLAND WALKER, BA'64

1965
PAUL ARTHUR TICHAUER, BENG(MET)'65

1966
JOHN JOSEPH MARCEL BERGERON, BSC'66

1967
JOHN CHARLES TAIT, BSC(AGR)'68

1968
JAMES P.M. WAUGH, BARCH'68

1973
GEOFFREY E. DOUGHERTY, MD'79, MSC'86

1974
PHILIP ALEXANDER SHANDRO, MA'74
FERNANT BEAULIEU JOSEPH PAUL SINGER, BCL'74

1975
JOHN ANTHONY COLEMAN, BA'75, BCL'80, LLB'80

1977
BRIAN JAMES WARD, BA'82, BCL'86, LLB'86

1979
JOHN CHARLES COLLIS, BCOM'79
JAMES DER DERIAN, BA'78
LIANNE IRENE WINNIFRED POTTER, BA'79

1980-81
MATTHEW JOCELYN JOHN MACBAIN, BA'80
MARC TESSIER-LAVIGNE, BSC'80

fails to bump into a few 17-year-old "freshers" (freshmen), clad in full tuxedo or ball gown, on their way to a college ball. There must be something about the gorgeous towers and spires of Oxford's medieval and renaissance architecture which inspires us to dress accordingly.

LISA GRUSHCOW, BA'96

Student, Oxford
MPhil in Judaism and Christianity in the Græco-Roman World

In talking with other Rhodes Scholars at Oxford, the conclusion is that we are defined by our differences. Someone who won in Quebec would have faced a remarkably different committee in Georgia, and vice versa.

Overall, I found the interview at the provincial level to be less intense than those at McGill, albeit more nerve-wracking. The question I do remember is the one which I answered before they finished: the dreaded question about athletics. The committee may well have suspected my lack of coordination, if nothing else, given that I began by knocking over my water glass. "We see that you've studied martial arts, ballroom dancing, fencing…" the interviewer began. "Yes," I interrupted, "it means I'm lethal on the dance floor."

Afterwards, I plan to study at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York. My dream is to come back to Montreal as a rabbi, working as an activist, community leader, teacher, and to be a perpetual student.

CARELLIN BROOKS, BA'93

Writer, Vancouver

"I'm a very envious person," Brooks says. "I saw another McGill student who had a Rhodes Scholarship and she didn't look very special. She wasn't my idea of the Rhodes Scholar: blond hair and big teeth, really white clothes that never got stained."

In applying for the Rhodes, a McGill law professor advised her not to say she was gay. She replied: "I don't think I can do that." Openly, she won. "There's one 'big' lesbian Rhodes Scholar each year," Brooks says. "We all know each other because the gay scene at Oxford is small." Now back in Vancouver, Brooks is finishing her PhD thesis, "The Phallic Woman in the 21st Century," and has struck the Rhodes from her resume. "I feel pressure to do something really fabulous that's seen as fabulous by a lot of people. I'm a writer so that's going to take years and years. The Rhodes Scholarship has become a curse: I've taken it off my resume."

Having had lots of bad jobs – most recently as an $8-an-hour administrator at a sex chat line – she's editing a book on "Bad Jobs." Any alumni with witty, bleak commentaries can contact her at arsenal@pinc.com or (604) 708-9025.

THE RHODES SCHOLAR WHO NEVER WAS

P. ANDRÉ GERVAIS,

Chairman and Partner, Mackenzie Gervais, Montreal

In 1954, Sherbrooke law student André Gervais was named one of two Rhodes Scholars for Quebec. The joy was short-lived. "One day I came home and found a big envelope with all my documents returned and a letter saying I was too old – by three days – for the Rhodes Scholarship. My birthday was September 27 and the cut off date was October 1." Gervais didn't misrepresent his birthdate – rather, the selection committee hadn't noticed it at the onset.

"I was really crushed by it. My dad had died the year before (1953) and I was too young and naïve to protest," he recalled recently. André Gervais finished out his fourth year at McGill's Faculty of Law then wrote the bar exams. The lack of a Rhodes Scholarship hasn't hindered his progress up the legal ladder: he currently heads the Canadian Bar Association and is a mediator and arbitrator in alternative dispute resolution. Would he fight the Rhodes Committee today? You bet.

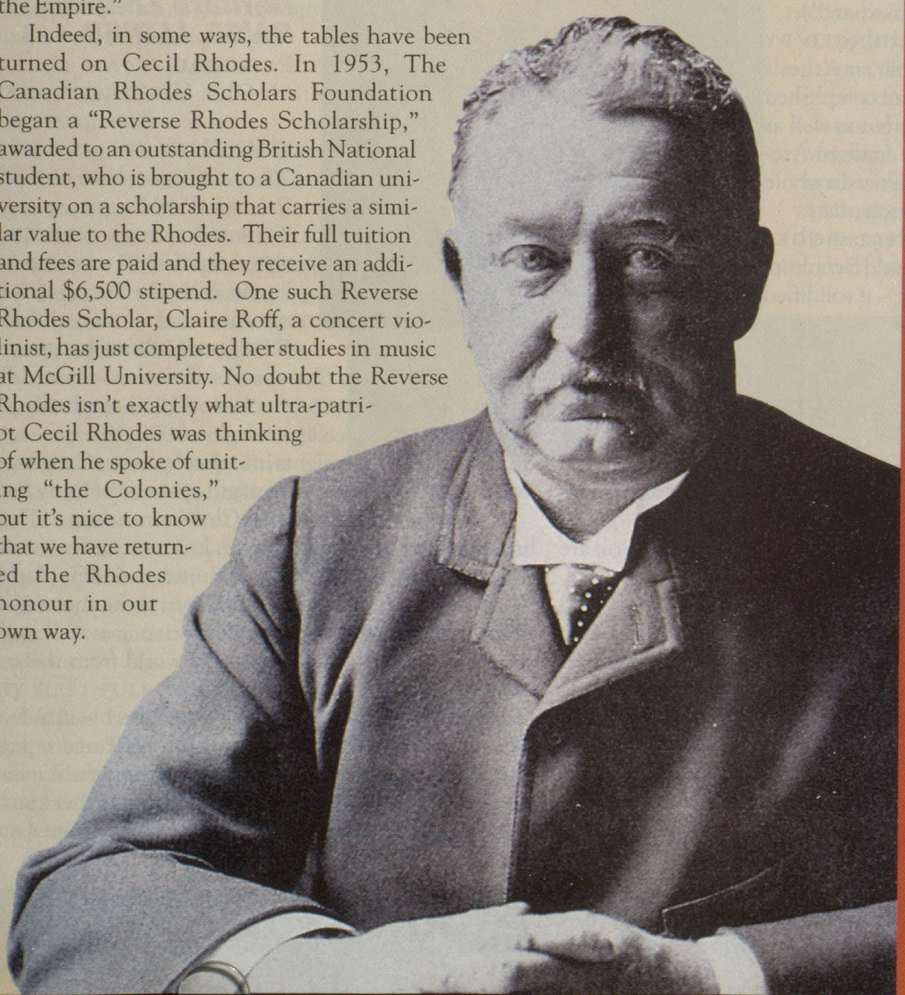
CECIL RHODES

Before the Right Honourable Cecil John Rhodes passed on to his final reward in 1902, he left his unequivocal mark on the world of higher education. By providing a bequest that allowed a select few the opportunity to study at what was then, and still is, one of the most respected institutions in the world – Oxford University – Rhodes ensured his name would live on well beyond his death. The scholarships were to be awarded to young students from the colonies of the British Empire who displayed strong "literary and scholastic achievements...fondness and success in outdoor sports...truth and courage...[and] moral force of character and instincts." And for a man living just around the time when slavery was abolished, Rhodes was a broad-minded enough fellow, leaving instructions that "no student shall be qualified or disqualified for election to a Scholarship on account of his race or religious opinions." His broadmindedness, however, did not go so far as to include women as candidates for the scholarship, who have only been eligible since 1976.

Rhodes' initial bequest was close to £3 million, and the original scholarships were worth £300, quite a sum of money in 1904, when the first round of scholarships were awarded. But tuition at Oxford now runs into the tens of thousands of pounds for some programs, and current day Rhodes Scholars have tuition paid in full and a "maintenance allowance" for living expenses and the like, all told an award of about US$20,000 per year.

While Rhodes' colonial mentality – he dreamed of a world completely under British rule – and the fact that his fortune came from diamond mining and the exploitation of South Africa are disconcerting to some Rhodes Scholars nowadays, it's understood that the scholarships are now simply awarded to outstanding students. No longer do they serve Rhodes' initial purpose of "instilling into their minds the advantage to the Colonies as well as to the United Kingdom of the retention of the unity of the Empire."

Indeed, in some ways, the tables have been turned on Cecil Rhodes. In 1953, The Canadian Rhodes Scholars Foundation began a "Reverse Rhodes Scholarship," awarded to an outstanding British National student, who is brought to a Canadian university on a scholarship that carries a similar value to the Rhodes. Their full tuition and fees are paid and they receive an additional $6,500 stipend. One such Reverse Rhodes Scholar, Claire Roff, a concert violinist, has just completed her studies in music at McGill University. No doubt the Reverse Rhodes isn't exactly what ultra-patriot Cecil Rhodes was thinking of when he spoke of uniting "the Colonies," but it's nice to know that we have returned the Rhodes honour in our own way.



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Danielle Fontaine, BSc(Arch)'80, BArch'81

1982-83
Pierre Legrand, BCL'82, LLB'82
Warren Cabral, BA'82

1983-84
William Hinz, BCom'83, DipEd'88, MA'91
Jeff Telgarsky, BSc(Arch)'82, BArch'83

1984-85
Craig Scott, BA'84

1985-86
Claude Genereux, BEng'85

1986-87
Desiree Cox-Maksimov, BSc'86

1990-91
Alexa Bagnell, BSc'90
Lesley Fellows, BSc'90, MD'96

1991-92
Fiona Stewart, BA'91

1992-93
Sujit Choudhry, BSc'92

1993-94
Carellin Brooks, BA'93
Megan McNeill, BA'93

1994-95
Stephanie Kuttner, LLB'97

1995-96
Lisa Grushcow, BA'96
Shariq Lodhi, BSc'96
Diane de Kerckhove, BSc'95

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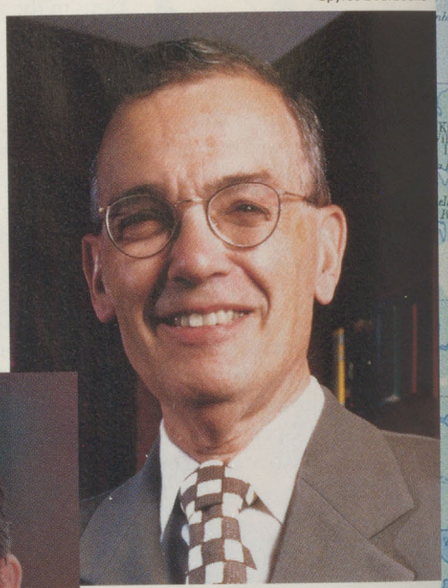
Mighty Minds

McGill alumni who are university presidents tell us their fables and foibles

Spyros Bourboulis



Arthur William May, PhD'66

PRESIDENT, MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

DOCTORAL THESIS TITLE: *Biology and Fishery of the Atlantic Cod from Labrador and North East Newfoundland.* (This is the big cod fishery that is now under moratorium.)

MY MOST MEMORABLE MCGILL EXPERIENCE was life in the attic of the frat house on Peel Street where I lived for two years (But perhaps this is not the place to expand!).

I WAS MOST INFLUENCED BY Professor Max Dunbar, my thesis supervisor. He was an accomplished folk singer and raconteur as well as one of Canada's most eminent Arctic scientists. He influenced a whole generation of marine scientists.

MOST INFLUENTIAL BOOK: *Oceanography*, by Harald Sverdrup, Johnson and Fleming – it solidified my intentions for the professional career I wanted to pursue.

FIRST JOB: Junior Scientist with the Fisheries Research Board of Canada. The essential difference between that job and the job of University President is that then I had time to pursue things that I wanted to pursue. Now my time is mostly taken up pursuing things that other people want me to pursue. Perhaps the greatest challenge now is to do those things that I think are important.

WORST OF THE SEVEN DEADLY SINS: You should have reminded me of the full list so that I could be sure that I've sampled all of them! I think that *sloth* or laziness must be one of them. If you are lazy enough, you won't even have the energy to try the other six.

More seriously, all of us should aspire to a positive contribution to the various territories we occupy. Procrastination is the *deadly enemy* of progress.

Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88

PRINCIPAL,
MCGILL UNIVERSITY

DOCTORAL THESIS TITLE: *The Subjective Estimation of Relative Word Frequency*

THERE WERE TWO PROFESSORS WHO INFLUENCED ME a great deal. The first was (Dean of Arts and Science) Noel Fieldhouse whose lectures in history gave me my first sense of the value – indeed the thrill – of academic iconoclasts. The second was Ms. Potter, my section leader in English 100C, who gave me a lifetime's worth of insights into the nuances of language.

MY FIRST JOB was as a managing partner of *Ruby Foo's* – at the time Canada's largest Chinese restaurant. There is not a lot in common between Lobster Cantonese and the structure of knowledge and understanding, but in both cases, there is something to learn about the range of human beings and the human experience as well as the value of trying to understand the world from the customer's or the student's point of view.

THE BOOK THAT INFLUENCED ME MOST – if, indeed, it can be called a book – was Milton's *Paradise Lost*. Among many other things, it remains for me the standard of what can be accomplished by bringing together knowledge, hard work and the creative imagination.

Newfoundland

Coast to Coast

I CANNOT DECIDE JUST WHAT MY MOST MEMORABLE McGILL EXPERIENCE WAS – there were many wonderful occasions. The one that I recall most vividly was wiggling through the pressing crowd in the foyer of the Arts Building to see the final examination marks.

To this day, I define an optimist as one who scanned the list from the top (highest mark) to the bottom (lowest passing mark) and a pessimist as one who started from the bottom and went up.

OF THE SEVEN DEADLY SINS, I FIND GLUTTONY the most difficult to avoid. It is generally not deadly, but it certainly remains, nevertheless, tempting.

Frederick Lowy, BA'55, MD'59

RECTOR, CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION TITLE: My "doctor" degree at McGill was in medicine – with no thesis. My research was in psychosomatic medicine, psychotherapy and, subsequently, bioethics.

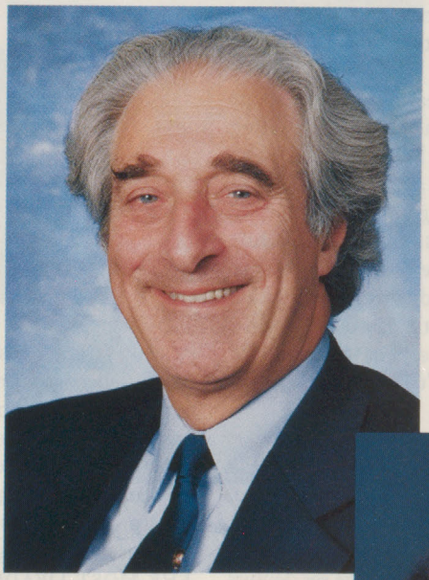
I HAD MANY MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES – perhaps the most memorable was my time as *co-editor of the McGill Daily* in 1954. It was a stimulating experience working with bright, energetic colleagues – Ely Raman, John Fraser, Dale English, Marty Goodman, to mention only a few.

MOST INFLUENTIAL AMONG MY PROFESSORS WAS DONALD HEBB who went on to be Chair of Psychiatry and Chancellor of the University. He modeled, through his daily actions, the qualities of curiosity, fairness, scientific vigour and personal integrity. He was also a brilliant and innovative scientist.

MOST INFLUENTIAL BOOK: Perhaps it was Sigmund Freud's *The Interpretation of Dreams*. It illustrated the richness of subjective experience, unconscious as well as conscious, and contributed to my career choice within medicine.

MY FIRST FULL-TIME JOB was lecturer in psychiatry at McGill and staff psychiatrist at the Royal Victoria Hospital in 1965. I had responsibility for patients at the Allan Memorial Institute, and for the supervision of residents & interns. My duties were clear and limited, my academic and clinical superiors were there to guide and support me, and I felt my life to be under good control. By contrast, a university president in 1997 is in a different situation altogether. **So little can be said to be under control.** Meeting the many and conflicting needs of faculty members, students, support staff, governors and alumni, and the obligation to uphold standards at our universities would be major challenges at any time. They become especially demanding when universities have less and less control of their finances and their destinies.

ARE THERE REALLY ONLY SEVEN DEADLY SINS? Probably excessive *pride* is the downfall of many talented people. High among the qualities in scarce supply is humility.



Janyne M. Hodder, BA'70, MA'83

PRINCIPAL, BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY
LENNOXVILLE, QUEBEC

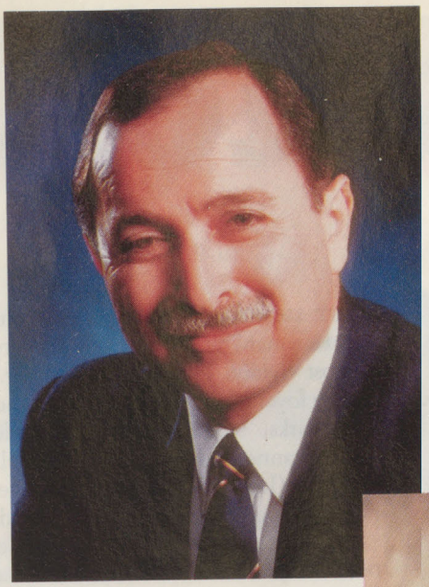
THESIS TITLE: MA (Educational Psychology), *Discourse Processes in Bilingual Performance: A Study of Listening Comprehension in Young Children Acquiring a Second Language*.

As a "born" bilingual, I had the most fun with ideas about the relationship of language to thought. I was particularly fascinated by form and the extent to which, even when one translated the semantic basis of a text exceptionally well, form could play

Quebec

tricks and somehow change meanings intended as identical. Canada could learn from this.

Most memorable McGill experience was certainly "McGill Français," that amazing story of cloak-and-dagger plots and counter-plots. *(Editor's note: In March 1969, a protest group demanded that McGill become a French-speaking university. Some 7,000 demonstrated at the Roddick Gates.)* Unfortunately, I was an insufferably serious 19-year-old, and rather than have fun on the streets that night, I sat in a Leacock common room, trying to apply Maurice Pinard's ideas on collective behaviour to the general fracas occurring by the Roddick Gates. My loss, I guess.



Two influential professors stood out. Jean Ethier-Blais, because I disagreed with him on everything, and Marcel Goldschmidt, because he introduced me to Piaget and allowed knitting in his seminar.

Most (recent) influential book: John Ralston Saul's *Voltaire's Bastards*. Throwing out the entire tradition of reason and logic might be going a bit far, but there is some truth to the idea that common sense has become singularly uncommon.

Dare I confess that in my final year at McGill, I spent hours in the stacks of McLennan unearthing everything François Mauriac ever wrote – and he wrote a lot of bad stuff. Still, in an era that had killed sin, it was a relief to read someone who made all his *sins grand and sombre*.

My first jobs were all sales jobs. While at McGill, I worked at Eaton's at the For Men Only and, no, it's not what you think. Young ladies in black crinkled velvet midis, lacy white blouses and tall leather boots had the men's Christmas shopping lists and did the work for them. It's different now. I wouldn't be caught dead in crinkled velvet.

The Most Deadly of the Seven Deadly Sins: First, it took me 10 minutes to locate a 1944 edition of *Le Catéchisme des provinces ecclésiastiques de Québec, Montréal et Ottawa* and five more minutes to find the right sins. The deadliest has to be laziness. "La paresse est un amour déréglé du repos, qui fait qu'on néglige ses devoirs d'état et de religion, plutôt que de se faire violence" (that's the answer to question 68, for those who have the same edition). Were I to fall prey to such a deregulated lust for rest, I might doze off in Senate. Then what? Anarchy! Chaos! Bedlam! Worse yet, I might not be missed.

Mordechai Rozanski, BA'68

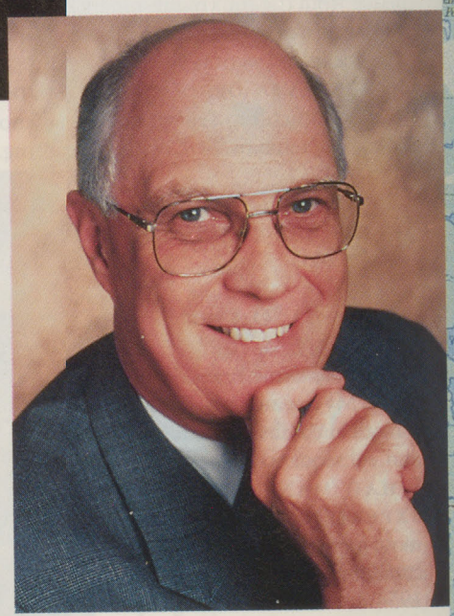
President, University of Guelph
Guelph, Ontario

Doctoral thesis: *The Role of American Journalists as Instruments of Chinese Foreign Policy, 1900-1930.*

Most memorable McGill experience: Listening to Noel Fieldhouse recount his personal anecdotes on diplomatic history.

Most Influential Professor: P.T.K. Lin introduced me to Chinese History.

Most Influential Book: Derk Bodde's *China's First Unifier: A study of the Ch'in Dynasty as seen in the Life of Li Ssu, 280-208 B.C. (1967).* This was the first major work I read in Chinese history. It introduced me both to the field and to Derk Bodde, who I later met and studied Classical Chinese with at the University of Pennsylvania.



First job: Assstant professor of Asian History at Berry College in Rome, Georgia, in 1974. The difference between my first job and the job of being president is in some ways more symbolic than real. Both require vast amounts of time, energy, dedication, intelligence, political acumen, begging for money, and performance under constant evaluation by colleagues. Both have been immensely satisfying.

The Most Deadly of the Seven Deadly Sins: *Gluttony!* And I don't want to talk about it!

William C. Leggett, PhD'69

Principal, Queen's University
Kingston, Ontario

PhD thesis title: *Lateral Variation in the Life History Strategies of American Shad.*

This was the first field evaluation of the ecological theory derived from Lamont Cole's 1954 classic paper "Why do Animals Reproduce More Than Once?" It confirmed the link beween environmental uncertainty and the evolution of reproductive and live history traits in animals.

Ontario

British Columbia

Most memorable McGill exerience: My term as McGill Vice-Principal (Academc) and in particular the quality of my working relationship with Principal David Johnston and Vice-Principas François Tavenas and John Armour.

Professor who Influencei me the most: Geoffrey Power, PhD'59, a profesor of biology at the University of Waterloo, who convined me to pursue science and my PhD at McGill which ld to my career there.

Most influential book: *Take charge of your Future or Someone Else Will*, by Jack Welsh. The book chronicles the transformation of the General Electric Corporation by CEO Jack Welsh. When he began its makeover, GE was a highly successful, but highly traditional and heavily bureaucratic organization. His courage and tenacity in supporting change even in the face of significant setbacks, set a standard for others. GE was the only major corporation to retain its leadership position during the worldwide shakeout in the late 1970's and throughout the 1980's. The book provides an important lesson in the importance, and challenges, of leadership.

First job: Research Scientist, Esex Marine Laboratory, Connecticut where I worked with the luxury of total focus on a single problem. The research helped to establish my career as a scientist and crystallized my love of research. I now don't have the luxury of time to focus on a single issue. University presidents / principals are required to deal with both issues and politics simultaneously and to rely heavily on others for the essential inputs to resolve problems.

The Worst of the Seven Deadly Sins: I would not care to distinguish among them. In one way or another they all speak to the importance of integrity and constancy in one's dealings with others.

Martha Piper, PhD'79

President, University of British Columbia, Vancouver

Title of thesis: *The preventionand remediation of Down syndrome*.

Most memorable McGill exprience: Trying to get up Drummond Street in a **snowstorm.**

The most influential academic professor was Dr. Barry Pless, Dept. of Pediatric and Epidemiology and Biostatistics ... **the most influential professor in terms of leadership** was Dr. Richard Cruess, then Dean of Medicine.

Most influential book: *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison. This was Morrison's first novel and it focused on a small black girl who wished for blue eyes – never recognizing her own beauty. This book influenced me by underlining the importance of acknowledging and honouring one's inherent strengths and traits.

First job: Physical therapist in an cute care hospital. I believe my current job is more similar than different. In both roles, the importance of people must dominate your orientation and your decision-making.

The Worst of the Seven Deadly Sins: I tend to believe that *anger* is the most deadly of the sins – anger is unproductive, detrimental, and very self-defeating. It can also be hurtful, misdirected, and dangerous.

A full profile of Martha Piper, by Ann Gibbon, can be found on the Web version of McGill News, *at http://www.mcgill.ca/alumni/mnews.htm*

Harold T. Shapiro, BCom'56, LLD'88

President, Princeton University
Princeton, New Jersey

Doctoral thesis title: *The Canadian Monetary Sector: An Econometric Analysis*. The newest idea in the thesis (1964) was the integration of Central Bank behaviour (modelled by a reaction function) into an overall econometric model of the Canadian economy.

My most memorable academic experiences at McGill were: Noel Fieldhouse's history course, Jack Weldon's economics course, W. Stanford Reid's intellectual history, and Louis Dudek's literature course. Professor Weldon had the greatest influence on my intellectual development.

Most influential book: Reinhold Niebuhr's *Children of Light and Children of Darkness*. It demonstrated that, with careful thought, a lot could be said in very few pages.

My first job after receiving my PhD was as an assistant professor at the University of Michigan. The most important difference between that job and the job of a university president is the shift from working on one's own problems and own teaching program to a role whose primary focus is providing for others and focusing on the evolution of an entire institution.

New Jersey

Denise Applewhite

Bernard Shapiro
BA'56, LLD'88

Born:
10:30, June 8, 1935, Montreal

Middle Name:
Jack

Education:
Lower Canada College, McGill, Harvard

Job:
Principal, McGill University

Salary:
$191,000

Empire
Yearly Budget: $268 million
Deficit: $60.6 million
Endowment: $513 million
Employees: 8,909

Address:
St. Catherine Street, Westmount

Personal:
wife, Phyllis, one son, one daughter.
Drives a Toyota Camry

Doctoral thesis title:
The Subjective Estimation of Relative Word Frequency

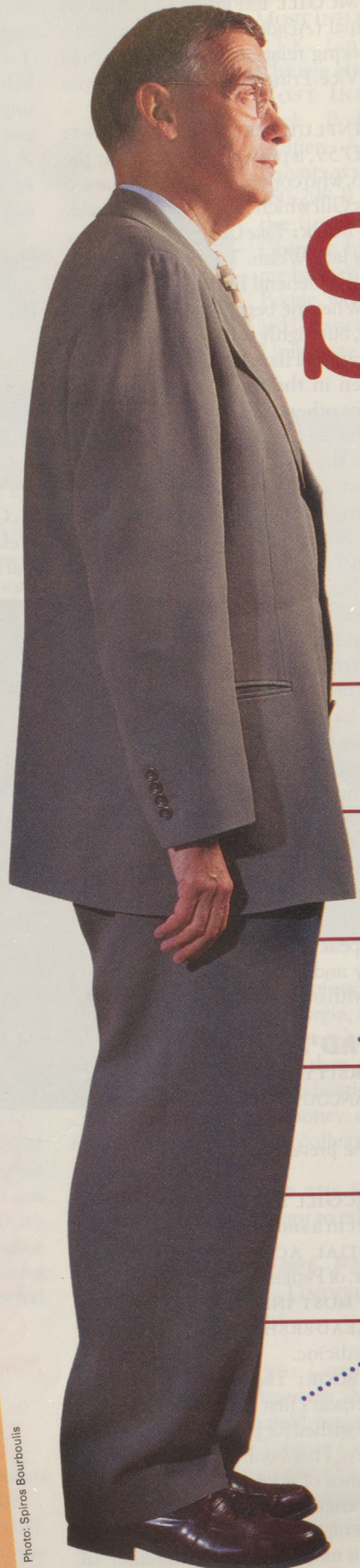
Most memorable McGill experience:
wiggling through the pressing crowd in the foyer of the Arts Building to see the final examination marks. To this day, I define an optimist as one who scanned the list from the top (highest marks) and a pessimist as one who started from the bottom and went up.

Most influential McGill profs:
Dean of Arts and Science Noel Fieldhouse whose lectures in history gave me my first sense of the value – indeed the thrill – of academic iconoclasts. The second was Ms. Potter, my section leader in English 100C, who gave me a lifetime's worth of insights into the nuances of language.

Most Influential Book:
Milton's *Paradise Lost*.

First job:
Managing partner of *Ruby Foo's* – at the time Canada's largest Chinese restaurant.

Worst of the Seven Deadly Sins
Of the seven, I find gluttony the most difficult to avoid. It is generally not deadly, but remains, nevertheless, tempting.



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Harold Shapiro
BCom'56, LLD'88

Born:
10:21, June 8, 1935, Montreal

Middle Name:
Tafler

Education:
Lower Canada College, McGill, Princeton

Job:
President, Princeton University, New Jersey

Salary:
US$305,538

Empire
Budget: US$550 million
Deficit: Say what?
Endowment: US$5 billion
Staff: 4,500

Address:
Official: Lowrie House, Princeton, N.J.
Unofficial: close by to the official residence

Personal:
wife Vivian, four daughters.
Drives a Toyota Avalon

Doctoral thesis title:
The Canadian Monetary Sector: An Econometric Analysis.

Most memorable McGill experiences:
Noel Fieldhouse's history course, Jack Weldon's economics course, W. Stanford Reid's intellectual history, and Louis Dudek's literature course.

Most influential book:
Reinhold Niebuhr's *Children of Light and Children of Darkness.*

First Job (after PhD):
assistant professor, University of Michigan.

Worst of the Seven Deadly Sins:
I do not know what the seven deadly sins are.

On November 8, 1997, Bernard and Harold Shapiro will be the guests of honour at a gala dinner dance on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. For more information call Jim Reilly, BA'60, (613) 562-2292.

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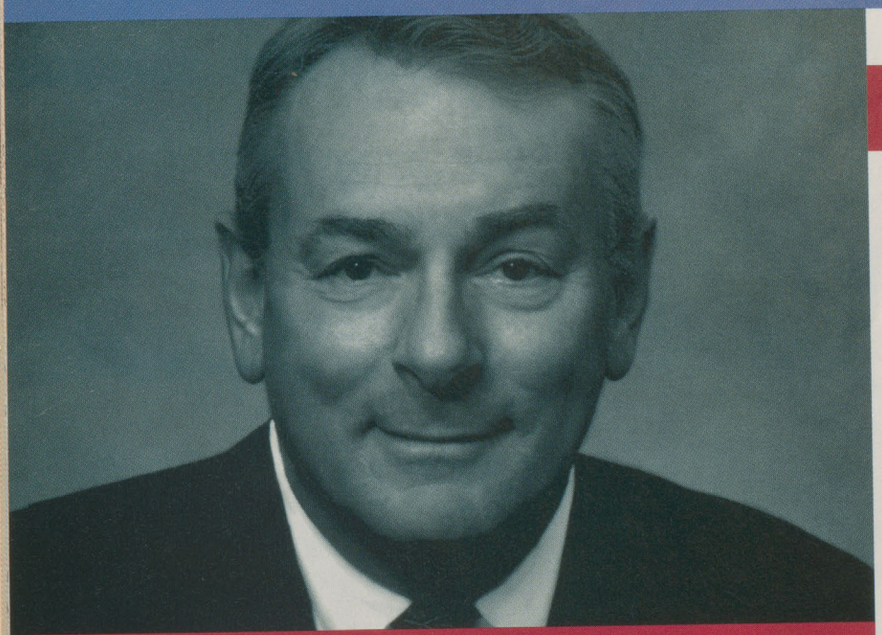

Award of Merit

Richard W. Pound, O.C., O.Q., Q.C., BCom'62, BCL'67

Richard Pound says he grew up in smelly towns all over Canada; a fact, no doubt, which led him to plumb the depths of the pool and aspire to the heights of a corner office at Montreal's Stikeman, Elliott law firm.

In his early years, Richard distinguished himself as an Olympic athlete in swimming (he qualified for two finals at the 1960 Olympics in Tokyo), as a Dean's List student at McGill (in accounting and law), and as a volunteer extraordinaire. His work as a tax lawyer is accompanied by a long list of volunteer activities which have greatly benefited Montreal, international sports, and McGill.

Richard is currently the Chairman of the McGill Board of Governors (he has been a Governor since 1986) and Chairman of the McGill Athletics Board where he greatly contributed to the success of the new athletics building. Richard is a former Chairman of the Fund Council (1992-1995), and was President of the McGill Graduates' Society (1981 to 1982). He continues his McGill involvement even in the face of weighty duties as a member of the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee where he oversees all Olympic television negotiations, marketing and sponsorships. He is largely credited for putting the IOC revenues in a league of their own.

Richard is married to writer Julie Keith and has three children and two stepchildren. The McGill Alumni Association is pleased to present Richard Pound with the Award of Merit, the highest honour.

Distinguished Service Awards

Betsy Alexandor Rigal, BA'54

Betsy has been instrumental in strengthening and developing the Ottawa Branch of the McGill Alumni Association which, this year, has been chosen Branch of th Year. Betsy graduated from McGill with a BA in 1954 and from Columbia University with an MA in French literature in 1956. Since leaving McGill, she has worked in Montreal, New York City, Edinburgh and Edmonton at jobs in town planning, antiq dealership and real estate. She is currently Property Manager for Urbandale Corporation in Ottawa. She is the mother of four children and has one grandchild. Betsy has served McGill faithfully in Otta and most notably staged the McGill-Harva Dinner Dance (1992), a gala event featurin McGill musicians. Betsy has served as a diplomatic host to many McGill luminarie and is known for her fine attention to detail and for remembering names and fac – crucial skills for an alumni volunteer.

n Honours and Awards, 1997

dra (Pharo) Henrico, (HomeEc)'69

ince she began as a volunteer seven years ago, Sandra has been the driving force toward increasing the profile of Macdonald Campus alumni. Reliable, committed, and afraid to roll up her sleeves, Sandra even made food and table decorations Reunions and meetings when budgets short. (We might expect as much n a consulting dietician!) Sandra cur-ly serves on the Homecoming mmittee and as Class Representative Homecoming and Class Agent for Alma Mater Fund. She has successful-ncreased the presence of Macdonald mpus alumni on the downtown pus and worked at phonathons to e donations for the Faculty of icultural and Environmental Sciences. esident of Beaconsfield, Sandra ried to Peter Henrico, and they have children, Kurt and Leeanne.

Sally (Drury) McDougall, BSc'68, DipEd'69

The only woman in a family of five men, she deserves an award for this fact alone! During her years at McGill, Sally was an avid athlete involved in field hockey, soccer, and skiing. The daughter of Chip Drury, BEng (Chem)'39, Sally married another grad, Doug McDougall, BA'67, and has shepherded four sons through McGill: Todd, BEng'95, John, BEng(Mech)'95, MEng'97, Reid, BSc'97, and Peter, who is currently studying biology. Armed with an inordinate amount of inside information on student life, Sally is a stalwart and devoted volunteer at McGill. She has served as a Director of the Graduates' Society, as the Alumni Representative to the Athletics Board, and on the University Admissions, Sports Hall of Fame, Alumni Services and Dentistry committees, to name just a few. She was instrumental in promoting the recent program of alumni involvement in student recruitment.

E.P. Taylor Award

Kiel Oxley, BA'27

Genteel, one very sharp dresser, and committed to McGill. These are a few of the warm descriptions of Kiel Oxley who, at 92, is McGill's most senior volunteer. He has served as Class Agent for more than 40 years. While at McGill, Kiel Oxley was on the staff of the McGill Daily and was a student of economics professor Stephen Leacock. (One can see why Kiel attends the Stephen Leacock Luncheon every year.) Over the course of his career, Kiel was a teacher for the Montreal Protestant School Board, the Principal of Lachine High School, and finally, District Superintendent of Schools. He served on many community boards, including the YMCA and the Montreal Girls Association, to name a few. He has one child, Mrs. Glenn Brook, four grandchildren (Jill, BEd; Richard, Lori and William) and six great-grandchildren. The years have not slowed Kiel down – he was last seen driving to Florida in a Lincoln Town Car with a lady friend.

The E.P. Taylor Award is given to a volunteer who has demonstrated outstanding voluntary service to the McGill Alma Mater Fund, and Kiel Oxley is fully deserving.

Honorary Life Memberships

Mary A. Rogers

Mary Rogers is the Head of the Scholarship and Bursary Sub-Committee of the Women Associates of McGill and serves as Co-Chairman of the McGill Book Fair, a hugely popular annual event which raises money for women scholars at McGill. Mary graduated from Penn State University with a degree in mathematics in 1963 with High Distinction. Married to Emeritus Professor Roddy R. Rogers, Mary raised two daughters, Julia, BEd'86, and Diana, who both went on to advanced university studies. Her dedicated volunteer efforts at McGill mean that top women students at the University have been given valuable encouragement in their studies.

Judy Pharo

Judy Pharo has served McGill above and beyond the call of duty since joining the University in 1979. Currently, she is the Undergraduate Faculty Student Adviser in the Office of the Dean, Faculty of Engineering. She has played a key role in building a support system for women in the Faculty of Engineering, and in making the Faculty a more welcoming place for them. She also worked to help mature students and visiting students from several countries, particularly France. It should come as no surprise that she was recently presented with a "Certificate of Appreciation" from the Canadian Federation of Engineering Students. Judy is currently a member of the committee set up to improve the freshman year experience at McGill, and was elected by her peers to represent non-academic staff on Senate earlier this year. Judy Pharo has contributed immeasurably to university life at McGill.

David Johnston Award

Stephen Toope, LLB'83

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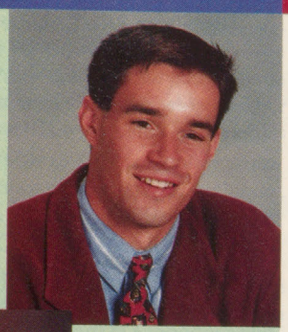
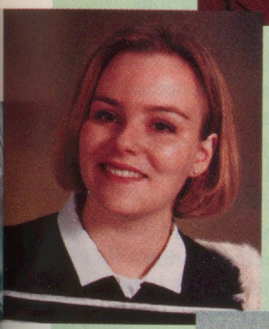
Stephen Toope is Dean of the McGill Faculty of Law, the youngest dean in its history. A top student, Stephen attended Harvard University on a full scholarship and graduated magna cum laude. He was equally as impressive at McGill where he studied law and won a series of prizes in essay writing, constitutional law and international law, as well as the James McGill Award. He was a clerk for Supreme Court Justice Brian Dickson and joined McGill as a law professor in 1987. He has published extensively on both international and family law and is a consultant on human rights to the federal government.

Importantly for McGill, Stephen has taken a keen interest in development and alumni relations and values their role in strengthening the faculty of law. He is an artful speaker who makes time to visit and speak with graduates, and he is equally comfortable soliciting private support for the University. Upon assuming the position of Dean, he took up the cause of the new Law Library, with construction now underway. Stephen's strategic and tireless efforts exemplify the same sense of civic and community spirit as David Johnston, the namesake of this award. Stephen is married to Paula Rosen, and has three children.

Student Leadership Awards



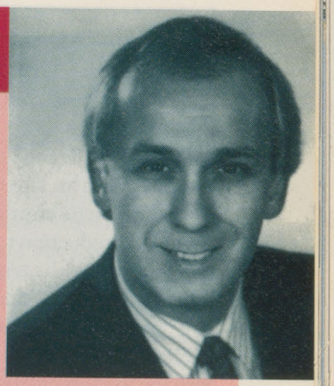
T. Peter R. Pound
BA'97



Christie Smith
BA'97

Alex Johnston
'92, BCL/LLB'99

Branch President of the Year



C. Paul Marchand, BCom'72, Oakville, Ontario

Paul has worked with the Bank of Montreal for 30 years and is currently Vice-President, Risk Management Policy, and lives in Oakville with his wife Diana and their five children. It was while posted in New York that Paul cut his teeth on alumni relations work. Currently he serves as Class Agent for the '72 commerce class and is President of the McGill Alumni Association's Oakville/Halton/Wentworth branch. Now, thanks to Paul, McGill is better serving its 3,000 alumni in this area. In the last two years, Paul has been successful in establishing the Branch and ensuring that four diverse events are held each year. Recently, events have included a well-attended visit to see the Nutcracker and a Branch dinner. Paul Marchand is known for his outgoing personality and prompt attention to detail – skills all greatly appreciated by the staff at Martlet House, home of alumni relations.

Branch of the Year

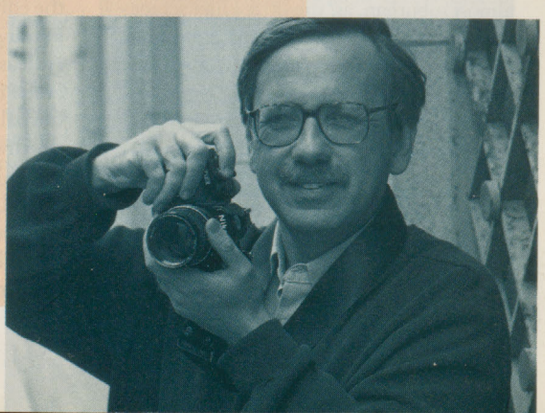
Ottawa, Doris Bradbury, BA'71, Branch President

Some 8,000 McGill alumni live in the Ottawa area. The Ottawa branch has managed continually to increase the breadth of activities and the number of alumni who turn out for the events. For example, the Ottawa Branch recently hosted its first Young Alumni Event with the Old Four (Queen's, McGill, Western and University of Toronto), a Jane Austen night and a talk by astronaut Douglas Watt, BSc'65, MSc'69, MD'69, PhD'74. As well, they staged a successful send-off for new McGill students. Members of the branch continually offer their support whenever McGill calls for assistance, and much credit is due to the branch leader, Doris Bradbury, BA'71, for her dedicated leadership.

Event of the Year

Harold Rosenberg, BSc'71
"McGill Daily Reunion,"
September 21, 1996

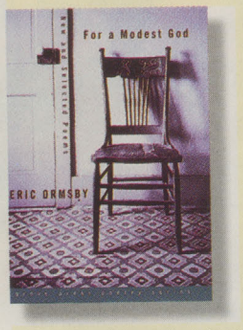
Harold Rosenberg was a student photographer for the McGill Daily who went on to bigger things – he currently works as a Crime Scene Photographer for the Montreal police. Given his experience with suspicious characters, alumni director Thomas B. Thompson, BSc(PE)'58, hired him 25 years ago as the official photographer of the McGill Reunion Weekend. The experience obviously had an impact. For his own 25th year Reunion in 1996, Harold put down the camera and began organizing a gathering of former McGill Dailyites. He obtained the names of those involved, and personally called or visited everyone he could. Through his dedication, which was patient, understated and effective, the McGill Daily Reunion grew into a major alumni event with 220 attendees from all over North America. He worked with many volunteers, including Arnold Bennett, BA'72, MA'79, Barbara Shamy, BA'72, John Marrett, BA'73, and Betty Palik, BA'70. All event attendees were greeted with a special edition of the McGill Daily, pins and mugs. Afterwards, they received a group picture and an Internet mailing list was established to keep the group in touch. Harold is married to writer Janice Hamilton and has two children.



For A Modest God: New and Selected Poems, *Grove Press*, 1997, $20, by Eric Ormsby.

McGill Islamic Studies Professor Eric Ormsby opens his latest selection of poems with a short lyric entitled "Quark Fog," a suitable introduction to his work. After contemplating "the temporary desert" of his hand, the narrator observes that "Matter will not/ chisel a voice from this/ fog of quarks." However, "If merest fable drops into the fog,/ articulated stars assert/ eclosion of the gold-sewn chrysalids./ Early nouns bob in blunt fens./ Verbs browse electrically in mist,/ particles gnarl the stems of bulrush copulae."

This fragment illustrates much about Ormsby's poetry, from his challenging vocabulary (readers should bring a dictionary) to his powerful conjunction of human and natural worlds. His subjects, often drawn from nature, may seem removed from urban commerce yet never fail to engage the reader. In "The Ant Lion," the narrator opens with an appreciative, even humorous explanation of the ant lion's snare, in which "Precarious/ sand grains have been set to slide/ whenever a plodding ant's insouciance/ pitches it down that soft declivity"; then he returns as a young boy with anxious nightmares of "falling . . . / through filmy floorboards into avalanche/ as the heart-stopped terror of my helpless dream/ tossed me to the soft mouth of this pit." The poem concludes with the ant lion, by now a creature imbued with human qualities: ". . . After the waving prey is tugged below/ to be consumed in secret, beneath the dirt,/ the ant lion's slow return looks dreamlike, too./ There's a proprietary fussiness,/ meticulous, almost suburban, as/ the little killer scrapes his whirlpool smooth." The insect becomes something that is even more terrible, yet frighteningly human.

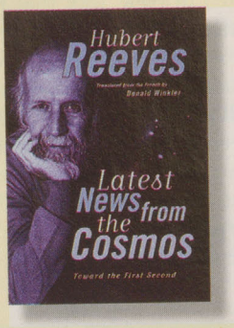


Just over a third of the 85 poems in this selection are new, with the remainder collected from two earlier publications. *For A Modest God* is a satisfying introduction to the work of one of the country's unacclaimed masters.

Patrick McDonagh

Latest News from the Cosmos, Translated from French by Donald Winkler, *Stoddart*, 1997, $29.95, by Hubert Reeves, MSc'56.

The Big Bang theory of cosmology is arguably the greatest achievement of twentieth century physics. It dares to describe our history as beginning with an explosion some 10 to 15 billion years ago.



This important idea should be communicated to the public at large and who better than Hubert Reeves to carry out this important task? Reeves, a nuclear astrophysicist and award-winning popularizer of science, studied at McGill with former physics professor J. David Jackson following his undergraduate degree at Université de Montréal. Reeves is now Director of Research at the Centre nationale de la recherche scientifique in Paris.

Latest News from the Cosmos will appeal to both the interested amateur and the committed student of physics. Reeves describes ancient religious and legendary cosmologies which underline the basic human need to understand one's origins and then goes through the evidence and reasoning that have led to the Big Bang theory. He covers now classical results such as Hubble's observation of the recession of distant galaxies, the prediction of the cosmic abundances of light elements and the discovery of microwave background radiation. He also discusses more contemporary issues such as the problems of dark matter and the origin and distribution of galaxies.

There are some flaws in the book. The graphics are rather primitive. As well, the editors have missed a few mistakes in translation from French to English. At least one essential date and one of the most important names are wrong. On balance, however, this is a worthwhile book and I recommend it highly.

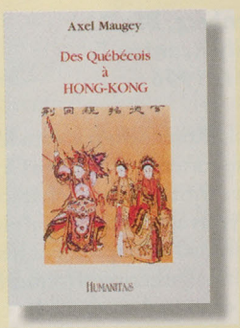
David S. Hanna, BSc'75
Professor of Physics
McGill University
Montreal

Les Québécois à Hong Kong, *Humanitas*, $19.95, 1997, 169p, par Axel Maugey, Professeur de littérature française, Université McGill.

Le titre de ce livre ne peut manquer de surprendre; dans ces mois qui entourent la rétrocession de Hong-Kong à la Chine populaire, nos pensées se tournent davantage vers la population autochtone que vers les Occidentaux et Occidentales qui y poursuivent leur carrière. Notre auteur, qui enseigne les civilisations francophones à l'Université McGill, a cependant voulu profiter de la conjoncture politique pour interviewer un certain nombre de Québécoises et de Québécois – tous à une exception près, ayant une certaine expérience de la vie des affaires à Hong-Kong – pour nous faire profiter aujourd'hui de leurs lumières.

Le but est louable, et il est parfois intéressant de suivre les méandres des carrières de ces quatorze personnes, à commencer par le vieux missionnaire jésuite, Lionel Tremblay, qui a mis les pieds en Chine pour la première fois en 1939. Ensuite, c'est à des hommes et à des femmes d'affaires, aux ambitions et aux idées diverses, que Maugey donnera la parole.

Malheureusement, l'ensemble reste au niveau de l'anecdote. La dernière page tournée, le lecteur (comme la lectrice) reste sur sa faim en ce qui concerne toute analyse sérieuse de la situation actuelle ou future de Hong-Kong, et les entretiens rappellent davantage le cocktail mondain que l'enquête universitaire. Le style même de l'ouvrage, apparemment rédigé à la va-vite, finit par exaspérer, tant il s'y trouve de répétitions, de maladresses, de déclarations à l'emporte-pièce et de stéréotypes. Dommage.



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ARCHITECTURE

Katy (Fluck) Flammia, MArch'91, was recently commended for her thesis, *An Urban Spa-Architecture, Perception and the Body*, at the Boston Architectural Centre. She opened her own design firm on January 1, 1997, and resides in Arlington, Massachusetts.

ARTS

Barbara Whitley, BA'40, DLitt'92, was the main speaker at the 90th anniversary luncheon of the Women's Canadian Club of Montreal on April 7, 1997. She has been a much decorated volunteer in the club for 50 years. She is also on the 175th anniversary committee of the Montreal General Hospital and is an active volunteer with her church, St. James the Apostle.

Herbert Bercovitz, BA'45, President of the McGill Institute for Learning in Retirement, represented the institute at the Opsimaths Convene at University of Massachusetts, along with vice-president **Joan Walker,** BA'51, curriculum chair **Moshe Bar-Urian,** BEng'54, DipEng'61, and planning committee member **Anita Heller,** BSc'47, MSc(MCg)'48, MA'70. The institute has been operating since 1989 and now has a membership of close to 700.

Eva (Dubska) Kushner, BA'48, MA'50, PhD'56, was made an "officier de l'ordre des palmes ocedéheiques" by the French government in 1995. She also received an honorary doctorate from the University of Western Ontario in 1996, and was elected President (1996-1999) of the International Federation for Modern Languages and Literatures. She is a professor at the University of Toronto.

Margaret Stavert, BA'51, has made a generous donation to McGill to help create the Dr. A. Gerald Racey Prize for a fourth year undergraduate student who has excelled in the comprehensive oral examination in oral and maxillofacial surgery. The prize is also supported by an annuity from the late **Dr. Gerald Racey,** DDS'37.

T. K. Rymes, MA'58, PhD'68, was appointed Distinguished Research Professor of Economics, Carleton University, Ottawa, on July 1, 1996.

Moses Znaimer, BA'63, endowed the Jewish Public Library in Montreal with $50,000 in memory of his parents. He is president and executive producer of CITY-TV, Much Music, Musique Plus, and the Bravo network, based in Toronto.

George Newman, BA'67, has been appointed to chair the Annual Program of the American Immigration Lawyers Association in June 1998 in Houston, Texas. He has also been a member of the American Immigration Lawyers Association Board of Governors since 1981, as Missouri/Kansas chair (1981-1995) and as an elected Director (1995-present). He resides in Clayton, Missouri.

André Liebich, BA'68, has been elected a member of the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, for 1997-98. This is his sabbatical from the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva, Switzerland. He has also completed a book entitled *From the Other Shore: Russian Social Democracy After 1921*, Harvard University Press, 1997.

Ellen Roseman, BA'68, has moved to the *Toronto Star* to assume the position of Business Editor after 21 years as a reporter, columnist and editor at *The Globe and Mail*.

John Ralston Saul, BA'69, DLitt'97, was honoured at McGill's 1997 Spring Convocation with a doctor of literature degree. He is the widely acclaimed author of numerous publications, both fiction and non-fiction.

Frances Harber, BA'70, performed in *Les Belles Soeurs* at Langham Court Theatre, Victoria, in March 1997. She also teaches in her native Victoria, and her new children's book, *Chayim's Sons*, is to be published by Albert Whitman, Chicago, in Spring 1998.

David H. Levy, Arts'70, married Wendee Wallach in Tuscon, Arizona, on March 23, 1997. They had their reception under the lunar eclipse that evening which is fitting since David is senior instructional specialist at the University of Arizona, bringing astronomy into schools in Arizona. He is tied for third place in history for the person who has found the largest number of comets.

Nancy Naglin, BA'71, is the author of *Seducing Dali*, to be published by Scribner.

Linda Clemente, BA'73, is a co-author (with husband Bill Clemente) of *Gabrielle Roy: Creation and Memory*, published in January by ECW Press, which introduces readers to the writer Gabrielle Roy from Saint Boniface, Manitoba. She has also written *Literary objets d'art, Ekphrasis in Medieval French Romance 1150-1210*, published in 1992 by Peter Lang Publishing Inc. She lives in Ripon, Wisconsin.

Victoria Lees, PhD'77, CertProfFr'92, McGill's Secretary-General, has been appointed as a director of the National Association of University Board Chairs and Secretaries.

Tycho Manson, BA'78, returned to school after attending graduate school in political science and working as a journalist for several years, and obtained an LLB from the University of Toronto in 1994. He is an associate in the litigation department at McCarthy Tetrault in Toronto.

Suzanne King, BA'79, CertProfFr'89, is now

COMING EVENTS

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- **September 18, Boston:** McGill Alumni out in Boston. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **September 19, Montreal:** 28th Annual Leacock Luncheon, Radisson Hotel des Gouverneurs, Guest speaker: Bill Richardson. Contact (514) 398-5000.
- **September 19, Montreal:** Homecoming, 25th Anniversary Dinner and Dance, McGill Faculty Club, 5:30 pm. Contact (514) 398-5000.
- **September 19, Montreal:** Homecoming, Principal's Dinner, 50th Anniversary Class. Ritz Carlton Hotel. 7 pm. Contact (514) 398-5000.
- **September 19, Montreal:** Homecoming, Chancellor's Dinner, 55th Anniversary Class and earlier classes. Ritz Carlton Hotel. 6:30 pm. Contact (514) 398-5000.
- **September 20, Montreal:** Homecoming Game - Shrine Bowl. McGill Redmen vs. Bishop's Gaiters. Molson Stadium. 1:30 pm. Contact (514) 398-5000.
- **September 20, Montreal:** Sir William Macdonald Luncheon for graduates of Macdonald Campus. Special guest Clifford Lincoln, Member of Parliament. Contact 398-5000.
- **October 5, Toronto:** Wine Tasting. Contact Alexya Heelis (416) 974-5795.
- **October 6, Boston:** Octoberfest. Contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **October 16, Washington, DC:** Reception and Dinner. Guest speaker Derek Drummond, Vice Principal (Development & Alumni Relations), McGill University. Contact Steven Richards (202) 752-2864.
- **October 24, Oakville/Halton/Wentworth:** "Second City". Contact Alexya Heelis (416) 974-5795.
- **November 8, Ottawa:** Gala Dinner Dance, Parliament Hill, Centre Block, Hall of Honour. Guests of Honour Bernard J. Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, Principal and Vice Chancellor, McGill University, and Harold T. Shapiro, BCom'56, LLD'88, President, Princeton University. Special guest Herbert Gray, Deputy Prime Minister. Contact Jim Reilly (613) 562-2292.
- **November 12, Toronto:** Pub Night. Contact Alexya Heelis (416) 974-5795.
- **November 13, Great Britain:** UK Trust Annual General Meeting and Autumn Reception. Contact Kip Cobbett (44-171) 378-0880.
- **November 14, Vancouver:** Reception. Guest speaker Dr. Abraham Fuks, BSc'68, MD'70, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, McGill University. Special guest Andrew Pentland, Senior Development Officer, Faculty of Medicine. Contact Suresh Fernando (604) 737-3509.
- **November 16, Victoria:** Luncheon. Guest speaker Dr. Abraham Fuks, BSc'68, MD'70, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, McGill University. Special guest Andrew Pentland, Senior Development Officer, Faculty of Medicine. Contact Norman Goodwin (250) 595-0757.
- **November 22, Toronto:** Vanier Cup. Contact Alexya Heelis (416) 974-5795.

working as a research psychologist studying schizophrenia and the family. She is an FRSQ research fellow at the Douglas Hospital Research Centre in Verdun, Quebec, and is an assistant professor of Psychiatry at McGill. She is married with a daughter, Marie-Christine, 6, and a son, Simon, 3.

Donna Seidman Salzman, BA'79, was chairman of the 10th anniversary celebration of the Just for Kids Foundation, held at Place des Arts, Montreal, in April 1997.

Seth J. Vogelman, BA'81, has been named Deputy Director of the Israel Office of both the California Trade & Commerce Agency and of the Georgia Department of Industry, Tourism & Trade. These offices help to promote trade ties between the American states and Israel, especially in the area of export promotion. Seth lives in Maale Adumim, Israel, with his wife and four children.

Doug Durr, BA'86, was co-chair of the 1997 McGill Alma Mater Fund Phonathon in Ottawa.

Rochelle Lerner, BA'86, was on the organizing committee of the 10th anniversary celebration of the Just for Kids Foundation, held at Place des Arts, Montreal, in April 1997.

Philip Zelazo, BA'88, is director of psychology at the Montreal Children's Hospital and has designed a testing procedure for autistic children which allows for more accurate measurement of their abilities and for testing at a younger age. He has also created a company, Psymetrics Research Corporation, which will begin marketing his research and technology.

Kevin Davis, BA'90, is an assistant professor in the Faculty of Law, University of Toronto. His teaching and research interests include commercial law, white collar crime, and law and development.

George Vanberg-Wolff, BA'90, DipManAppl'92, joined the San Francisco law firm of Kaufman & Logan, specializing in environmental insurance coverage and business litigation.

Blair Michael Sheridan, BA'92, will be taking up a new position in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, as Uzbekistan Country Director of Counterpart Consortium, a contractor of the United States Agency for International Development.

Sheila Patterson, BA'93, is working at the Canadian National Institute for the Blind in Hamilton, Ontario, as a developmental disability worker.

Eric Petersiel, BA'93, married Tami Moscoe, completed a bachelor's degree in Education, and is now finishing his master's degree in Arts in Near Eastern Studies at the University of Toronto. He has spent two years as Director of Education at Shaarei Beth El Congregation in Oakville, Ontario.

Catherine Tamayo, BA'93, worked in Toronto for a Russian-Canadian joint-venture company as a Russian translator until spring of 1995. She is now working in San Francisco with Blanc & Otus as a senior publicist and international public relations consultant for MCI Communications and other high-technology companies. She was married to **Simon G. Zinger,** BA'93, in August 1995.

Simon G. Zinger, BA'93, received his JD from the University of San Francisco School of Law and passed the California Bar Examination in August 1996. He practices corporate, tax and executive compensation law as an associate with the San Francisco office of Graham & James LLP. He was married to **Catherine Tamayo,** BA'93, in August 1995.

Robert Astroff, BA'94, graduated from Dalhousie Law School with an LLB in May 1997, and will be pursuing a Master of Arts degree at the Norman Patterson School for International Affairs in Ottawa.

Daniel Holland, BA'94, is Sales Associate, International Money Markets, with the Bank of Montreal in London, England.

Karen Schaffer, BA'94, recently wrote a book entitled *Hire Power: The Ultimate Job Guide for Young Canadians*, which provides students with information about employment and addresses students' vulnerabilities. She makes her home in Toronto.

Wilson Ricarte, BA'95, is working for BTB Compressors, a division of Enerflex Systems, makers of field gas compressor units, based in Calgary. He maintains and coordinates the company's Quality Management Program.

Ilan Gewurz, BA'96, has been awarded a Dorot Fellowship in Israel by the Dorot Foundation. He will participate in a summer intensive Hebrew language program and spend the remainder of the year between concurrent part-time academic study and part-time internship in his field of interest.

Shilah Hasan, BA'96, is pursuing a master's degree in corporate communications at Seton Hall University, New Jersey. His major is public relations and he is interning in New York City this summer at Lippe Taylor, a public relations firm.

Lauren Telchin, BA'96, is a University Fellow at the George Washington University, D.C., and is pursuing a master's degree in museum studies. She is also employed by the Phillips Collection. This summer she was an intern at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.

Catherine Wallace, CertProfFr'96, is presently city editor of *The Gazette* in Montreal, and has been awarded a Southam Fellowship to study at the University of Toronto for eight months.

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DENTISTRY

Marvin H. Steinberg, BSc'70, DDS'72, was elected President of the Quebec Association of Orthodontists for 1997-98. He is a Fellow of the American College of Dentists, a Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada and a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics.

Noah Zacharin, BSc'81, DDS'83, has played guitar for a number of releases by other artists, and his two recordings, *Noah Zacharin* and *Silence spoken here*, have been re-issued in CD format. He now has a toll-free number, 1-888-sing-t-yu, and is working part-time as a dentist at Regent Park Community Health Centre.

EDUCATION

Lynn Butler-Kisber, BEd'68, MEd'72, won the 1997 YWCA of Montreal Woman of Distinction Award in the Education category. She is an associate professor in the McGill Department of Educational Studies and director of its graduate program. As a member of the Senate Committee on Women and the Advisory Committee on Women Student Issues, she developed a pilot project to promote the safety of McGill's female students and personnel.

Nancy Layton, BEd'72, MEd'87, became the first Head of Bishop's College School, Lennoxville, Quebec, to be married in the School's Chapel. Her new husband is Joe Stairs. Despite her hectic schedule, she still likes to fit in some time for golf in the summer and skiing in the winter.

Vera Danyluk, BEdCert'86, chairman of the executive committee of the Montreal Urban Community, initiated the Voice Symphony of the Police Brotherhood of the Montreal Urban Community concert, held on April 29, 1997. The concert raised funds for a day centre for street kids. She was presented with the annual Woman of Achievement award by the Business and Professional Women's Club of Montreal in April 1997.

Dawn Levy, BEd'89, married **Al Vandenbussche,**

BEng'87, on September 6, 1996. She completed her master's degree in Educational Administration at the University of British Columbia in April 1997 and lives in Vancouver.

Priscilla Bailey, BEd'93, taught English for a year in Mexico, then returned to Montreal and taught grade two from August 1996 to December 1996. She is presently substitute teaching and tutoring in Montreal.

Laura Nymark, BEd'93, teaches business English in the Netherlands.

Laura C. Petre, BEd'93, is teaching grade three in Oshawa, Ontario. She is married to **Brian Farrugia**, BSc'90, and they have a baby boy.

Dawn Cruchet, MEd'95, a registered nurse and grief counselor with a master's degree in death education, gave a talk on "The Grief Journey" at Selwyn House on April 3, 1997. She lives in Hudson Heights, Quebec.

Marc Lehmann, BEd'95, works at the Mississauga Campus of the Toronto French School. He and his wife, **Claudia Dobranski,** BEd'96, have a new son, Alexander Jay, born January 31, 1997, a brother for Jessica, who turned five on May 25, 1997.

Patricia Hutchinson, BEd'96, is coaching for the Beaconsfield Bluefins/Sports-Études Jean XXIII swim team in Beaconsfield, Quebec, where she makes her home.

ENGINEERING

Gerald G. Hatch, BEng'44, DSc'90, has been appointed a Member of the Order of Canada. He has also just received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from McMaster University.

J. Ross MacEwan, BSc'49, BEng'52, PhD'57, retired in 1989 after 31 years of research at Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd.

Aimé Baribeau, BEng'52, has been retired for 10 years and still resides in Lorette, Quebec.

Selwyn Bell, BEng'52, is semi-retired and is spending a lot of time in Australia.

Ed Carpenter, BEng'52, retired from IBM and is now working full-time as a volunteer in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

G.A. Cockfield, BEng'52, MBA'78, retired from DuPont in 1994 and now spends his time golfing and skiing. He capped his cross-country career by winning both the Canadian and U.S. Masters titles in his age group. He lives in Oakville, Ontario.

Ken Godwin, BEng'52, retired from Chevron and stayed on at Bainbridge Island, Washington.

Kyriaco Hatzidakis, BEng'52, is retired from New York Telephone Company, N.Y.

Vince Jolivet, BEng'52, is in his 25th year as a self-employed expert witness in finance and economics in litigation in Washington State and Alaska.

Peter Kindersley, BEng'52, has sold Engineered Valves International and is looking forward to retirement in Glens Falls, NY.

Bernard King, BEng'52, retired from Ford Motor Company in December 1988 and lives in Tecumseh, Ontario.

Norman Kipnis, BEng'52, divides his time between B.C. and Newfoundland.

J. Raymond Lauzon, BEng'52, retired in 1986, spends five months of the year in Florida, and makes 200 litres of wine a year. He spends the rest of the year in his native Boucherville, Quebec.

Bernard Lederman, BEng'52, after 32 years with CNCP Telecommunications, Quebec, still spends winters in Florida.

Laurent Lemieux, BEng'52, retired as Vice-president of CIL/ICI Quebec and spends his winters in Florida.

Robert Little, BEng'52, plans to retire in 1998 but will not spend winters in Florida because he prefers the "Great White North" of Haileybury, Ontario.

Maurice Mack, BEng'52, is Chairman of Empire Maintenance, a family company which has 4,500 employees in Canada, Poland and the Ukraine. He resides in Beaconsfield, Quebec.

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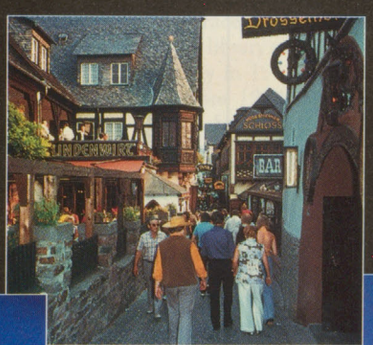

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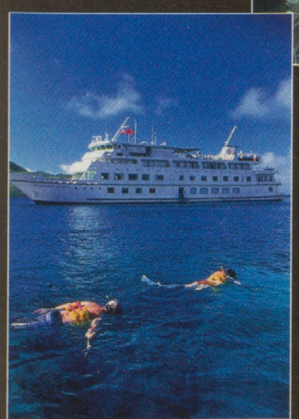

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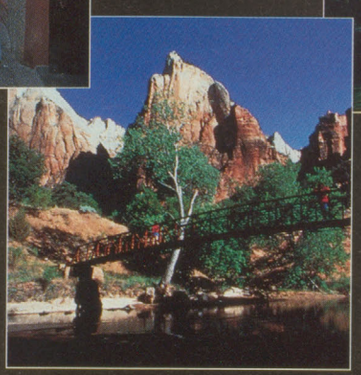

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D. Keith McMullan, BEng'52, retired in 1989 and enjoys travelling outside of his native Don Mills, Ontario.

John Mikulec, BEng'52, puts in one or two days a week with his son operating Environair Canada Ltd., based in Montreal.

Gordon Mount, BEng'52, is "mostly retired" and doing some consulting in his hometown of Ottawa.

W. Darrel Murray, BEng'52, is retired and is enjoying life in Burlington, Ontario.

Clifford Quince, BEng'52, retired from Bell Canada in 1982 and is a volunteer in the education departments of the Museums of Nature and Civilization. He lives in Wakefield, Quebec.

Gerard Roy, BEng'52, "quit" his job in 1987 (he doesn't like the word "retirement") and enjoys the freedom in St. Bruno, Quebec.

William "Bill" Seath, BEng'52, spent his career with Pratt & Whitney Canada and retired as Vice-president in 1991. He also goes to Florida in the winter, from his home in Kingston, Ontario.

J. Duncan Strachan, BEng'52, is "almost totally retired" while waiting for his company to "stop being profitable." He resides in Markham, Ontario.

William "Bill" Thompson, BEng'52, retired in 1983 after 30 years with Ontario Hydro, is still "married to the most wonderful girl in the world" and lives with her in London, Ontario.

Fred Walters, BEng'52, reports that he is "getting old" in his town of Belleville, Ontario.

John Wheelwright, BEng'52, still works part-time in pre-engineered building construction, but spends more time skiing, canoeing, hunting and fishing with his eight grandchildren in Palgrave, Ontario.

Len Zarifi, BEng'52, the Class Agent for Engineering'52, spends most of the summer in Europe, specifically Greece.

Colin H. Campbell, BEng'56, has been appointed chair of the Honours, Awards and Fellows Committee of the Engineering Institute of Canada. He is a past President of the institute, and practices structural engineering with Campbell Woodall & Associates in Calgary.

William T. Houghton, BEng'59, retired from San Francisco-based Chevron Corporation where he was President of the Chevron Information Technology Company. He and his wife, **Louise (nee Forbes),** BSc'62, will continue to reside in Danville, California.

Don Calder, BEng'65, has been appointed the president and chief executive of B.C. Telecom Inc., Canada's second-largest telecommunications company, as of July 2, 1997.

Nunzio Spino, BEng'73, was co-chair of the 1997 McGill Alma Mater Fund Phonathon in Montreal and helped volunteers bring in $91,000 in pledges.

Doug Bulger, BEng'76, and his wife **Heather (nee Nicholls),** BA'76, have returned to Calgary from a foreign assignment in Hamburg, Germany, with Shell.

Dennis Cliché, BEng'76, has been appointed to the position of Senior Vice-President of Air Liquide Canada Inc. He has been with the company since 1981 and makes his home in Burlington, Ontario.

Stavros A. Argyropoulos, MEng'77, PhD'81, has been promoted to Professor in the Department of Metallurgy and Materials Science of the University of Toronto.

Kimberly Woodhouse, BEng'79, has received an Engineering Medal for Engineering Excellence from Professional Engineers of Ontario for her achievements in artificial skin development for burn and chronic wound victims. She has joined the faculty at the University of Toronto, where she has established an independent research program.

Alain Vandenbussche, BEng'87, married **Dawn Levy,** BEd'89, on September 6, 1996, in Vancouver. After more than nine years in sales at Matrox, he joined Triant Technologies in

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October, 1996, as Sales Manager. Both companies are in Vancouver.

Bruce A. Eckfeldt, BSc(Arch)'94, BArch'95, has been appointed a member of the jury for the American Institute of Architects' 1998 Honor Awards for Architecture. He makes his home in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Christine Desmarais, BEng'97, is a 1996-97 Rhodes Scholar and was nominated for the 1997 YWCA of Montreal Women of Distinction Award in the youth category.

LAW

Huntington Sheldon, BA'41, LLD'96, was recently honoured as a "Distinguished Brooksian" at ceremonies last week at Brooks School, from which he graduated in 1947, for his work over the years. He makes his home in Shelburne, Vermont.

W. Warren Allmand, BCL'57, was appointed president of the International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development after 31 years as Liberal Member of Parliament for Notre Dame de Grace, Quebec.

Richard W. Pound, BCom'64, BCL'67, Chair of McGill's Board of Governors, has been named Chair of the Board of Directors of the National Association of University Board Chairs and Secretaries.

Eleanor Clitheroe, BCL'78, is the chief financial officer of Ontario Hydro.

Margaret Somerville, DCL'73, won the 1997 YWCA of Montreal Woman of Distinction Award in the Science and Technology category. She is the Director of the McGill Centre for Medicine, Ethics and Law and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

Romano Robusto, BSc(Pol)'79, BCL'83, LLB'84, was appointed Chair of the Board of Directors of Briana Bio-Tech Inc., a bio-pharmaceutical company which focuses on the development and commercialization of innovative therapeutic and diagnostic products for cancer and neurological disorders. He resides in Laval, Quebec.

Christian Couturier, BCL'81 LLB'81, is a certified family mediator, having obtained a certificate in family mediation from the Quebec Bar in April 1997. He resides in Lasalle, Quebec.

Peter McArthur, BCL'82, LLB'83, the nine-time chair of the McGill Alma Mater Fund Phonathon in Vancouver, led 13 volunteers who elicited $21,813 from area graduates last spring.

John Redfern, LLB'84, BCL'85, has returned to Canada from Europe after some nine years. He is President of GC Data Petroleum Services Limited, based in Calgary.

Alida Gualtieri, BCL'87, LLB'87, is legal counsel for the *Fonds de Solidarité des Travailleurs du Québec*, a venture capital fund sponsored by the Quebec Federation of Labour.

François Longpré, BCL'88, LLB'88, has been practicing law with Mackenzie Gervais in Montreal since 1989, specializing in labour law for the last four years, and has recently been admitted as a partner. He has two children with his spouse **Hélène Mireault,** BCL'84.

Gary Bell, BCL'89, LLB'89, has left McGill to assume a law position at the National University of Singapore.

Dimitri G. Mastrocola, BCL'89, LLB'89, moved to New York City and is an associate attorney in international private finance with Shearman & Sterling, in Manhattan. He married Rose Agozzino in Montreal on July 13, 1997.

Trudo Lemmens, LLM'95, won the 1996 Association for Politics and the Life Sciences Graduate Student Paper Award for his paper entitled *Considerations for an Ethical Policy on Genetic Screening of Job Applicants*. A revised version of this paper appeared in the March 1997 issue of *Politics and the Life Sciences*. He makes his home in Montreal.

LIBRARY/INFORMATION STUDIES

Grace D. Parch, BLS'51, obtained her master's in library science degree at Kent State University in 1983, and did her post-graduate work from 1984-1985 at the School of Librarianship, Wales, Great Britain. She resides in Bedford, Ohio.

Gerald Glass, BLS'62, is retiring from the Academic and General Book Shop, in Montreal.

Faith Wallis, BA'71, MA'74, MLS'76, McGill Associate Professor in the Departments of History and Social Studies of Medicine was awarded the H. Noel Fieldhouse Award for Distinguished Teaching, 1996-97. She was praised by students for her "erudition, diligence, respect for students, powerful lecturing, and obvious love of her subject."

Derek Robertson, MLS'78, was co-chair of the 1997 McGill Alma Mater Fund Phonathon in Ottawa.

Margaret (Meg) Raven, BA'88, MLIS'91, is working as a Reference and Systems Librarian at Mount Saint Vincent University in Halifax. Her husband, **Mick Sullivan,** BA'81, is an associate professor with the Department of Psychology at Dalhousie University in Halifax.

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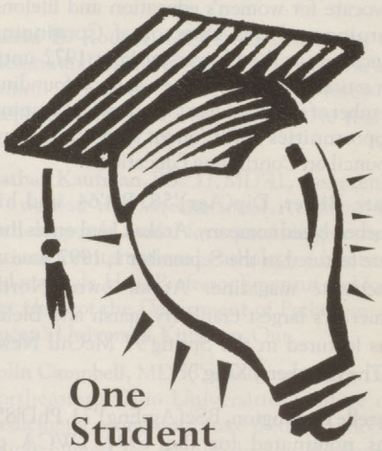

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MACDONALD CAMPUS

Mairi St. John Macdonald, BSc(Agr)'46, received an honorary degree at the Mount Saint Vincent University (Nova Scotia) Spring Convocation. She has been a tireless advocate for women's education and lifelong learning and was Director of Continuing Education at the University from 1972 until her retirement in 1988. She was also a founding member of the Canadian Congress for Learning Opportunities for Women and the Metro Council on Continuing Education.

Marc Bieler, Dip(Agr)'58, BA'64, and his Quebec-based company, Atoka Cranberries Inc, were featured in the September 1, 1997 issue of *L'actualité* magazine. Atoka owns North America's largest cranberry marsh and Bieler was featured in the Spring'97 McGill News ("The Cranberry King").

Suzelle Barrington, BSc(AgrEng)'73, PhD'85, was nominated for the 1997 YWCA of Montreal Woman of Distinction Award in the science and technology category. She is an associate professor at in Faculty of Environmental and Agricultural Sciences. She was the first Quebec woman to receive a PhD in agricultural engineering. This year she will chair the Canadian Society of Agricultural, Food and Biological Engineering.

Hugh Maynard, Dip(Agr)'78, has been selected to take part in the 1997 class of the Leadership for Environment and Development training program, administered in Canada by the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy, which includes training sessions in Costa Rica and Zimbabwe.

Nancy Geronazzo, BSC(NSc)'89, lives in Toronto and works in a community health care centre. She also has a part-time nutrition consulting business. Her son, Demetre, was born on April 16, 1995.

Don Buchan, BSc(Agr)'91, is working in Ottawa doing water treatment for heating and cooling applications.

MANAGEMENT

Brian Rourke, BCom'61, has moved to Charleston, South Carolina, after 31 years in California and various Asian locations. He is now concentrating on supervising the building of a house and perfecting his boating ability.

John E. Cleghorn, BCom'62, has been elected a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario. He is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto. He was also the guest speaker at the Westmount High School Old Boys' Association 1997 annual general meeting and dinner and was honoured for his lifetime contribution to the association. He graduated from Westmount High School in 1951.

Patrick J. Mars, BCom'62, MBA'65, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of Meridian Gold Inc. He is Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and a Director of Chivor Emerald Corporation Ltd., and makes his home in Toronto.

Richard M. Wise, BCom'62, a Fellow of the Order of Chartered Accountants, has also been elected to Fellowship of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario. He is a managing partner at Wise Blackman, Montreal.

J. Doug Barrington, BCom'64, has been elected a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario. He is also a managing partner of national services, Deloitte & Touche, Toronto.

Bruce R. P. Richmond, BCom'68, has been elected a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario. He is the national director, corporate clients, Deloitte & Touche, and lives in Toronto.

Mordecai Rozanski, BA'68, was reappointed President of the University of Guelph, extending his term to 2003.

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Percy Kissoon, BCom'72, was co-chair of the 1997 McGill Alma Mater Fund Phonathon in Toronto and, with the help of 90 volunteers, raised $79,112 over two evenings.

François Coutu, BCom'76, President and Chief Executive Officer of Jean Coutu Group Inc., was the prime sponsor and chairman of the 1997 Daffodil Ball, held atop Mount Royal, Montreal, which raises money for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Pierre Matuszewski, MBA'79, a été nommé au poste de directeur général de la Banque d'Investissement.

Sophie Valois, BCom'84, lives in Ile-Bizard, Quebec and is a town clerk for the town of Roxboro.

Marina Boulos-Winton, BA'86, DipMgmt Appl'90, was co-chair of the 1997 McGill Alma Mater Fund Phonathon in Montreal, and helped volunteers bring in $91,000. She has left her position as Executive Director of Dans La Rue charity to move to New York City and live with her husband of two years, **Grant Winton.**

Stephane Carrier, BCom'90, completed his MBA at the University of Toronto in 1995 and worked as a derivatives analyst at the Toronto Dominion Bank until December 1996. He subsequently joined the Financial Structuring Group at Hambros Bank in London, England.

Gemma Raeburn-Baynes, CertPubRelMgt'91, won the 1997 YWCA of Montreal Woman of Distinction Award in the public and community affairs division. She is a long-time activist in Montreal's black community and is research coordinator of workplace equality at the Bank of Montreal.

Claude J. Thibault, MBA'91, was appointed Vice-President, Corporate Finance of Midland Walwyn Capital Inc. which he joined in 1994 as Corporate Finance Associate.

Sheila M. McIntosh, MBA'92, was appointed Vice-president corporate communications and investor relations of Canadian Pacific Ltd., based in Calgary. She was previously the assistant vice-president corporate communications.

Natalie Brady, BCom'94, a reçu le prix Fernand-Cloutier pour les meilleurs résultats obtenus au programme professionnel de CMA. Elle est analyste en compatibilité à la Sun Life.

Jonathan Mogil, BCom'94, is working as an equity research associate at RBC Dominion Securities in Toronto.

Luc C. Picard, MBA'95, has opened a Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Office in Longueuil, Quebec.

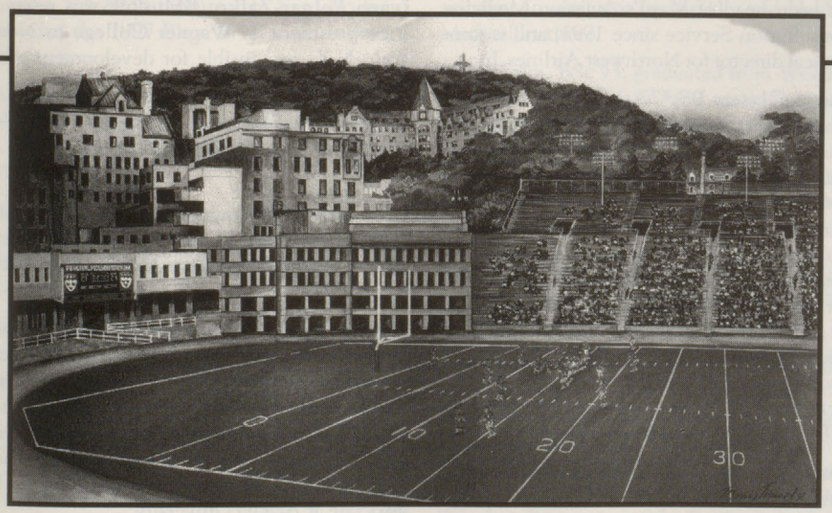
Genevieve Riverin, BCom'95, is a sales and editorial representative with Prentice Hall Canada, and received the second place award for her exemplary performance in 1996. She lives in Laval, Quebec.

MEDICINE

David E. Rodger, MD'35, is still living in Victoria and recently enjoyed a talk given at an alumni event by McGill's own Professor **Stephen Toope,** BCL'83, LLB'83. He really wants to get a McGill tie!

Nathan Kaufman, BSc'37, MD'41, was recently awarded the International Academy of Pathology gold medal for outstanding contributions to international pathology education and research. He is Professor Emeritus and former Head of the Department of Pathology at Queen's University, Kingston, Ont.

Colin Campbell, MD'53, was honoured by the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine, a community state medical school, which named its Atrium in the Regional Academic Support Facility the "Colin Campbell, MD, Atrium." He was the school's provost and dean from 1983 to 1990, and president and dean from 1990 to 1992. In 1992, he was named president and dean emeritus and professor emeritus of obstetrics and gynecology. He continues to teach and resides in Akron with his wife, Catherine.



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Evelyn (Dawe) Rourke, Dip(PT)'57, has moved to Charleston, South Carolina, after 31 years in California and various Asian locations.

Natalie Riegler, BN'58, recently published a book entitled *Jean T. Gunn: Nursing Leader*, Canadian Medical Lives Series, Toronto, Fitzhenry and Whiteside, 1997.

Margot Roach, MD'59, is the recipient of a 1997 Woman of Distinction award, presented by the YMCA/YWCA of London, Ontario. She is presently a professor and physician in London.

John D. Hsu, BSc'57, MD'61, completed the editing of the third edition of *Atlas of Orthotics and Assistive Devices*, a reference textbook for physicians and allied health professionals in rehabilitation. He is Clinical Professor, Department of Orthopaedics, University of Southern California, and Chairman, Department of Surgery, Rancho Los Amigos Medical Centre, Downey, California.

Joel Paris, MD'64, DipPsych'72, was appointed Chair of the Department of Psychiatry, McGill University. His work has focused on personality disorders and he is the author of 70 journal articles and five books on psychiatry.

Robert R. Orford, BSc'69, MD'71, was installed as consultant in the House of Delegates for the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine. He joined Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, in 1988, and moved to Mayo Clinic, Scotsdale, Arizona, in 1996. He has been head of Mayo's Aviation Medicine Consultation Service since 1991, and is joint medical director for Northwest Airlines, Inc.

Stuart Glaser, BSc'70, MD'74, médecin à Mont-Royal, vient d'être nommé «Médicin de famille de l'année du Québec» par la section québécoise du Collège des médicins de famille du Canada. Installé à Mont-Royal depuis 1966, il en a fait le lieu d'exercice de sa profession. Il a également travaillé à l'urgence du Centre hospitalier St. Mary's pendant 18 ans, en plus de donner des cours à l'unité de médicine familiale. Il est aujourd'hui professeur agrégé de clinique en médicine familiale à l'Université McGill et il s'occupe de la formation médicale continue (actualisation des connaissances des médicines de famille) à l'Hôpital Royal Victoria.

Ramie A. Tritt, BSc'71, MD'73, is President of Atlanta Ear, Nose & Throat Associates, P.C., a 22-person otolaryngology (ENT) group in Atlanta, Georgia. He is President and Chairman of the Board of Physicians' Specialty Corporation, a physician practice management company.

Debbie Giser, BPhysTher'72, BSc(PT)'74, CertCBIS'87, was on the organizing commitee of the 10th anniversary celebration of the Just for Kids Foundation, held at Place des Arts, Montreal, in April 1997.

Ronald D. Gottesman, BSc'78, MD'82, was inducted as an honorary Fellow of the American College of Critical Care Medicine at San Diego, California, in February 1997. He is currently Director of Pediatric Intensive Care at the Montreal Children's Hospital and Associate Professor of Pediatrics in the Faculty of Medicine at McGill.

Robert Levy, MD'79, has been appointed Medical Director, Lung Transplant Program, of the British Columbia Transplant Society. He is an associate professor in the division of respiratory medicine at the University of British Columbia. He was previously Medical Director for the Heart-Lung Transplant Program at McGill.

Graeme Magor, MD'81, is planning an Arctic expedition which will retrace the steps of Russian Otto Sverdrup, who mapped much of Canada's northern regions. He also hopes to set up an interactive Web site which will bring students details of the voyage as it unfolds.

MUSIC

L. Louis Spritzer, BMus'64, has just finished a video entitled *Sinon de Quoi vit On?* which is based on the last three years of his teaching the vocal aspect of music training at Conservatoire d'Art Dramatique de Montreal.

Ivana Pelnar-Zaiko, BMus'69, was named Vice-president of Wagner College in New York, N.Y., responsible for development and alumni relations.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Rev. Asa W. Sprague, BTh'82, has been appointed Senior Minister of the Sun City Centre United Methodist Church of Sun City Centre, Florida.

Mark Parent, PhD'91, is Policy Chair for the Progressive Conservative Party of Nova Scotia. He resides in Pereau, Nova Scotia, where he is the minister of the Pereau United Baptist Church, as well as teaching for the Department of Continuing Education of Mount Allison University. He is also an honorary research associate at Acadia University.

SCIENCE

Rudy Marcus, BSc'43, PhD'46, DSc'88, was given the American Chemical Society Award in Theoretical Chemistry for his contributions to understanding the fundamental processes that underlie many chemical reactions. He resides in Pasadena, Calif.

Judith (Cohen) Saffran, BSc'44, PhD'48, retired from the Medical College of Ohio on June 30, 1997. She was Assistant Professor of Pathology, Associate Director of Toxicology and Director of the federally licensed Drug Testing Laboratory. She plans to devote more time to her 8 grandchildren and to her summer home in the Laurentians. Prior to moving to Toledo in 1969, she taught the advanced biochemistry laboratory class at McGill for several years.

Murray Saffran, BSc'45, MSc'46, PhD'49, retired from the Medical College of Ohio on June 30, 1997. He was Assistant Dean for Medical Education and Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. Prior to moving to Toledo in 1969, he was a professor in the Department of Biochemistry at McGill.

Jack Halpern, BSc'46, PhD'49, DSc'97, the Louis Block Distinguished Service Professor of the Department of Chemistry, University of Chicago, was honoured at McGill's 1997 Spring Convocation with an honorary doctor of science degree. He is an adviser to governments and Vice-President of the National Academy of Sciences of the USA.

David M. Culver, BSc'47, LLD'89, was appointed to the Outstanding CEO of the Year Advisory Board for 1997 by the Caldwell Partners, CTV and *The Financial Post*. He is Chairman of CAI Capital Corporation and the International Foundation for the Canadian Centre for Architecture. He has also been awarded the 1997 B'nai Brith Canada Award of Merit.

Alexandra I. Cowie, BSc'50, performed in Michel Tremblay's *Les Belles Soeurs*, at Langham Court Theatre, Victoria, in March 1997.

Stanley J. Pappelbaum, BSc'59, has been appointed Executive Vice-president and Chief Operating Officer of Scripps Health in San Diego, California.

Major (Retired) Harvey R. Bailey, BSc'60, retired in August 1996 after 30 years of service in the Canadian Military Engineers and six years working for the Department of National Defence. He and his wife have moved to St. Catharines, Ont.

Lawrence D. Rogers, BSc'64, and his wife, Joy, have resigned from their jobs, sold most of their belongings, and moved onto their boat. They intend to sail for at least a year from San Diego, heading north in the summer and south in the fall.

Sidney Katz, BSc'65, MSc'68, PhD'71, has been appointed Director General and CEO of the Ontario Science Centre. He had been Executive Director of Science World, Vancouver, since 1991.

David Ash, BSc'66, PhD'73, was promoted to General Manager and Director of Manufacturing at Uniroyal Chemical Limited in Elmira, Ontario.

Judith (Kirkpatrick) Coulter, BSc'66, has retired from SHL Systemhouse of Ottawa and has a two-year term position with Government Telecommunications and Informatics Services in Hull, Quebec. She lives in Ottawa.

Mary L. Hébert, BSc'69, has been appointed headmistress of The Study, an independent school for girls in Westmount, Que. She was previously the vice-principal and director of the middle and senior schools at Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School, Westmount.

Don Hogarth, BSc'85, was co-chair of the 1997 McGill Alma Mater Fund Phonathon in Toronto and, with the help of 90 volunteers, raised $79,112 over two evenings.

Lloyd MacLean, DSc'90, was the guest speaker at the Royal Victoria Hospital Foundation lecture on April 8, 1997, speaking on *Healing: Past, Present and Future*. He was the chief surgeon at the hospital from 1962-1968, and is a former President of the American Surgical Association and American College of Surgeons and chairman of the McGill University Faculty of Medicine.

Simon W. M. John, PhD'92, a biologist specializing in glaucoma research at The Jackson Laboratory in Maine, has been appointed an assistant investigator by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute.

Kerri Lake, BSc'93, graduated from Western Michigan University in April with a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering. She will be working at Stryker Instruments in Kalamazoo, MI. Stryker is an international corporation that designs and manufactures surgical equipment.

Kevin W. Jiang, Cert (MIS)'95, BSc'97, is working as an applications programmer analyst at Planmatics Inc. in Westmount, Quebec.

Reid McDougall, BSc'95, received the Richard Pound Award this year, given to a graduating student who best exemplifies proficiency and leadership in athletics. Reid was chair of the McGill Intercollegiate Sports Council, a member of the McGill Athletic Board, and a member of the Students Athletic Council. He plans to pursue studies in environmental science.

Patrick Nedellec, PhD'95, went to France after his graduation for a post-doctoral position at Pasteur Institute. He then obtained a full-time position at the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique as "Chargé de Recherche" in the Laboratoire de Neuroendocrinologie in Paris.

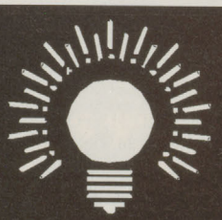
Vicky Tessier, BSc'97, was nominated for the 1997 YWCA of Montreal Woman of Distinction Award in the youth category. She is a talented basketball player, winning the McGill Mac Tesky trophy in 1995, and breaking the McGill all-time scoring record in 1996. She led her team to two consecutive Quebec Championships and to third place at this year's Canadian Championships.

SOCIAL WORK

Freda L. Paltiel, BSW'49, taught a course on women, health and development to international students at Hadassah-Hebrew University School of Public Health and Community Medicine, Jerusalem. She lives in Ottawa.

Karen Schafer, BA'81, BSW'85, MSW'87, has relocated to Victoria, B.C. and begun a new private psychiatry practice. She also acted in a production of Michel Tremblay's *Les Belles Soeurs*, at Langham Court Theatre in Victoria.

Heather Astroff, BSW'96, was admitted as an advance standing student at New York University. She was awarded her master's degree in social work in May 1997.



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Alan S. Bell , BSc'23, at Ancaster, Ont., on January 18, 1997.

Chas Sherlock McGill, MD'23, at Seven Hills, Ohio, on February 13, 1997.

Stanley E. Read, BA'23, MA'25, at Vancouver on April 8, 1997.

André Jean Leveque, BSc(Mech)'25, at Cap d'Espoir, Que., on February 4, 1997.

Helen E. Maytum, MSc'27, MD'31, at Denver, Colo., on May 20, 1997.

Raymond Caron, QC, BA'28, BCL'31, at Montreal on May 15, 1997.

Hazeldine Smith Bishop, BA'29, DipSocWork'44, at London, Ont., on April 20, 1997.

Dr. William Richard Christmas, BSc'29, at Chapel Hill, N.C., on March 12, 1997.

THE 1930s

Marjorie J. (McEwen) Dancey, BA'30, at Montreal on March 29, 1997.

Travis Eugene Dancey, BA'30, MD'34, at Montreal on May 7, 1997.

Thompson Benedict Cooper, BSA'31, at Montreal on May 14, 1997.

Marjorie Florence McLaggan, MA'31, at Montreal on March 17, 1997.

Hugh Lewis Aubrey Tarr, PhD'31, at Vancouver in December 1996.

Paul von Haeseler, MD'31, at Gilbertsville, N.Y., on February 23, 1997.

David I. MacLeod, BA'32, at Oshawa, Ont., on April 6, 1997.

James Penrose Anglin, BA'33, BCL'36, at Vancouver on April 5, 1997.

Alice G. (Banfill) Monro, BHS'33, at Port Perry, Ont., on March 9, 1997.

Hope (Richardson) Cook, BSc'34, at Dowelltown, Tenn., on April 23, 1997.

Janet S. (Clouston) Klepaczko, BA'34, at Montreal on May 12, 1997.

William Mitchell, BCL'34, at Massawippi, Que., on May 1, 1997.

Henry Anthony (Harry) Perego, BEng'34, at Montreal on May 5, 1997.

Samuel L. Pollack, BSc'34, MD'37, at Montreal on May 10, 1997.

Janet (Hamilton) King, BA'35, at Montreal on April 2, 1997.

Irving London, BCom'35, at Montreal on March 1, 1997.

Doris E. (Neate) Mildon, BHS'35, at Vancouver on February 22, 1997.

Isidore Pollack, BA'35, at Jupiter, Fla., on April 10, 1997.

John Evans Riddell, BEng'35, MSc'36, PhD'53, at Halifax on March 7, 1997.

Lorne A. Rowell, BEng(El)'35, at Vancouver on March 16, 1997.

Margaret E. (Fox) Larkin, DipNurs'36, at Montreal on May 2, 1997.

Arthur Everett Gladman, BSc'38, MD'40, at Oakland, Calif., on January 17, 1997.

Lloyd Stanley Hawboldt, BSc(Agr)'38, MSc'46, at Dartmouth, N.S., on April 10, 1997.

Albert H. Malouf, BA'38, BCL'41, at Montreal on April 8, 1997.

Margaret Norene (Allen) Reynolds, BLS'38, in Ottawa on March 21, 1997.

Donald William Ruddick, BA'38, MD'42, at Montreal on March 4, 1997.

A. Dalzell Browne, BCom'39, at Thornhill, Ont., on May 2, 1997.

Clarence Schneiderman, BA'39, BCom'41, at Westmount, Que., on March 22, 1997.

THE 1940s

Lois Cornell (Strachan) Horwood, Arts'40, at Scottsdale, Ariz., on February 16, 1997.

Rev. Vincent Benedict Maloney, BLS'40, at Putney, Vt., on December 7, 1993.

Rosemary Brown-Haley, BSc'41, at Cheshire, Conn., on January 24, 1997.

Manuel Nathan Fineman, BSc'41, PhD'44, at Atlanta on March 16, 1997.

Matthew Reutcky, DDS'41, at Morrisburg, Ont., on April 9, 1997.

William Jervis Stevens, LMus'41, BMus'43, at Sutton, Que., on April 8, 1997.

Herbert Ware von Colditz, BEng'41, in California on January 26, 1997.

Robert Edward Wyber, BCom'41, at Ottawa on April 13, 1997.

John J. Callahan, MD'42, at Seattle, Wash., on March 31, 1996.

Errol Nicholson Harding, BA'42, MD'49, at Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., on March 2, 1997.

Vernal Josephson, PhD'42, at Palos Verdes, Calif., on March 11, 1997.

Francis David Playfair, MD'42, at Port Hope, Ont., on April 16, 1997.

Douglas Oliver William Waugh, MD'42, MSc'48, PhD'50, at Ottawa on April 18, 1997.

Gerald Allen Leonards, BEng(Civ)'43, DSc'89, at West Lafayette, Ind., on February 1, 1997.

Leo Yaffe, QC, McGill Emeritus Professor of Chemistry, PhD'43, DSc'92, at Montreal on May 14, 1997.

William Goldworth Dixon, BSc'44, MD'45, at Bridgewater, N.S., on April 2, 1997.

Helen Mary Gemeroy, DipNursAdm'44, at Victoria on May 17, 1997.

Barbara (Reay) Morris, BA'45, at Palm Beach, Fla., on January 1, 1997.

Margaret M. (Laurie) Grant, BSc(HomeEc)'46, at Hemmingford, Que., on May 18, 1997.

Marc Picard, BEng'47, at Ste-Foy, Que., on April 14, 1997.

Lorna Schecter Toulch, BA'47, at Montreal on May 18, 1997.

Helen (Woodcroft) Vair, BLS'47, at Victoria in 1995.

William Keasley Welch, MSc'47, at Waban, Mass., on February 2, 1996.

Albert Gibson Allen, BA'48, MD'50, at Tweed, Ont., on November 8, 1997.

Homer W. Beattie, MD'49, at Burlington, Ont., on May 26, 1997.

Edgar Lefebvre, BCL'49, at Montreal on March 15, 1997.

Paul M. Marshall, BCL'49, at Toronto on April 12, 1997.

Manasseh Miller, BCom'49, at Montreal on December 26, 1996.

Rev. Canon Thomas Desmond Rowe, BA'49, BD'52, at Lachine, Que., on May 17, 1997.

Robert B. Walby, BCom'49, at Montreal on March 21, 1997.

THE 1950s

Duncan J. Kennedy, DDS'50, at London, Ont., on March 30, 1997.

Bruce L. Lamb, BEng'50, at Sparks, Md., on December 12, 1996.

Russel W. Lawton, Engineering'50, at Ottawa on March 3, 1997.

J.L. Paul Ledoux, BCom'50, at Cap-Santé, Que., on May 24, 1996.

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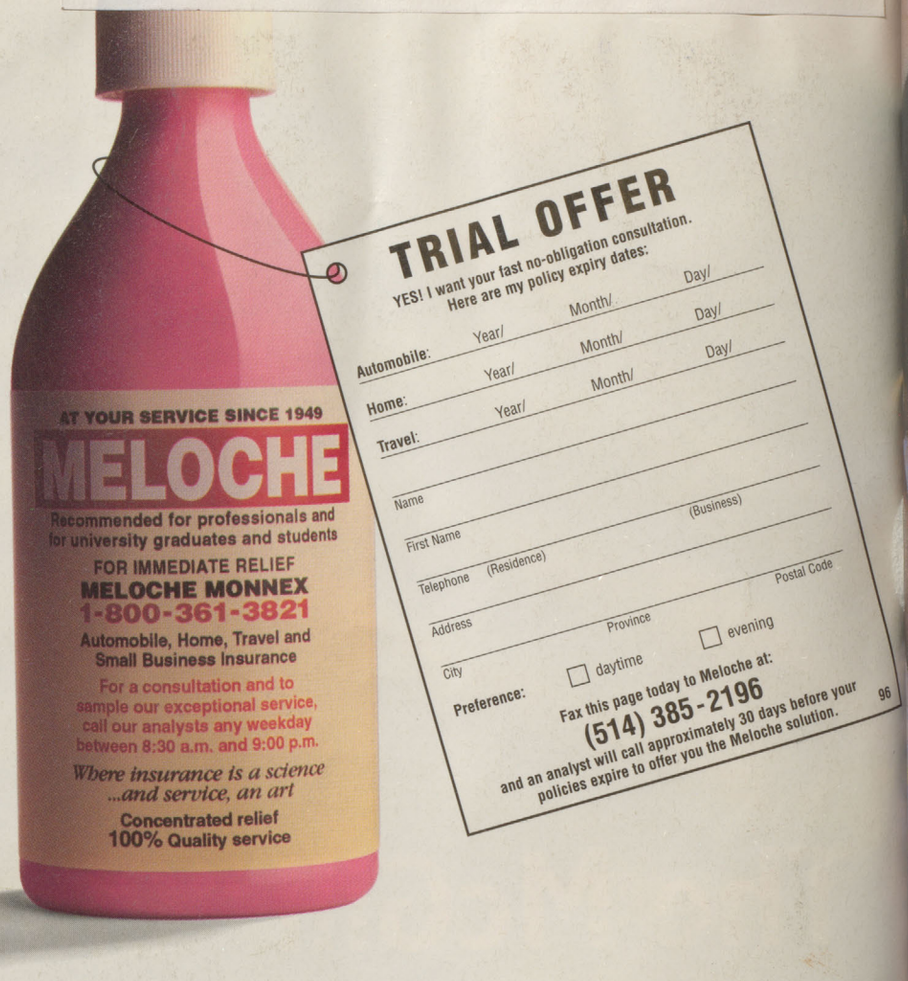

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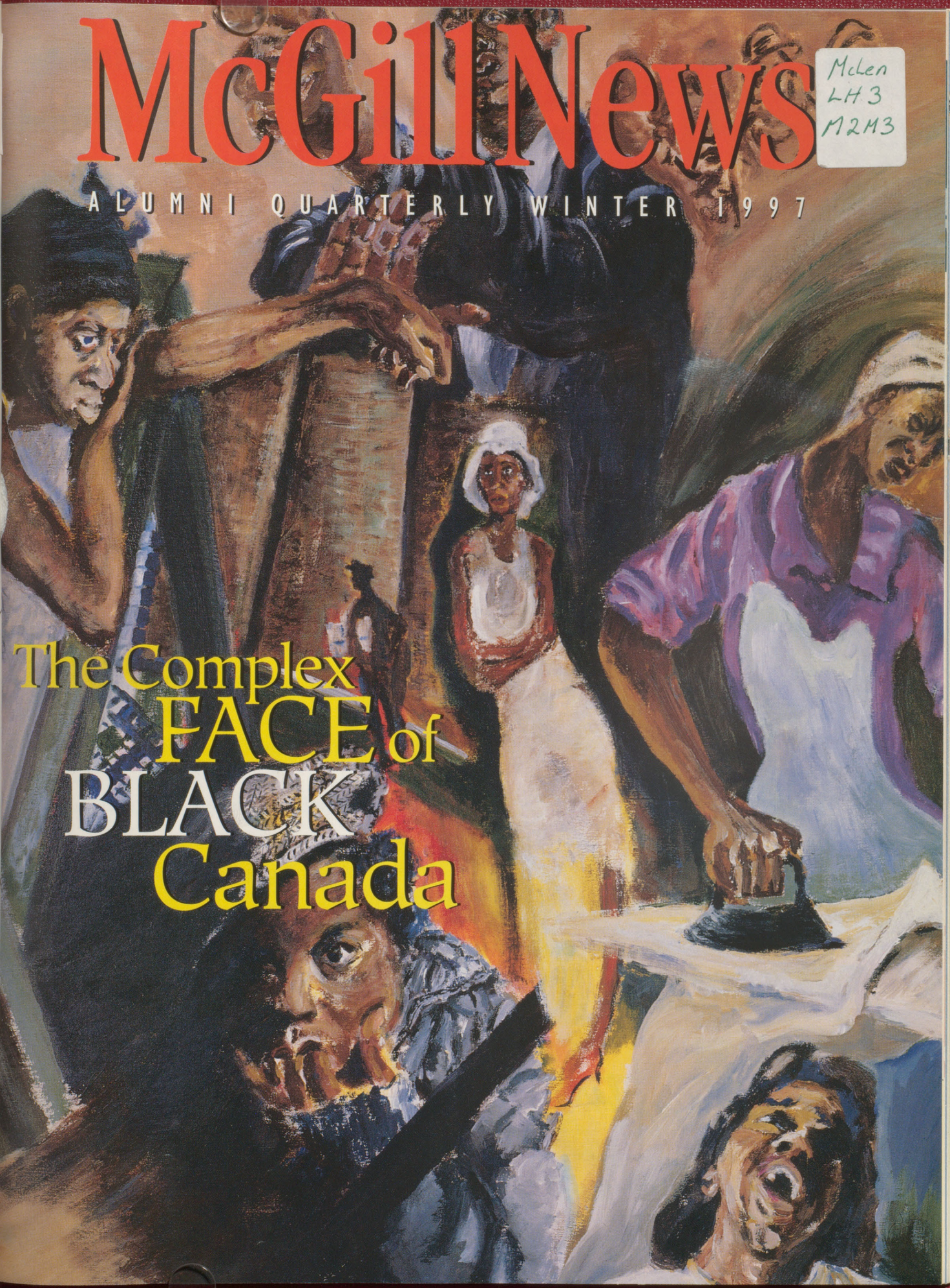

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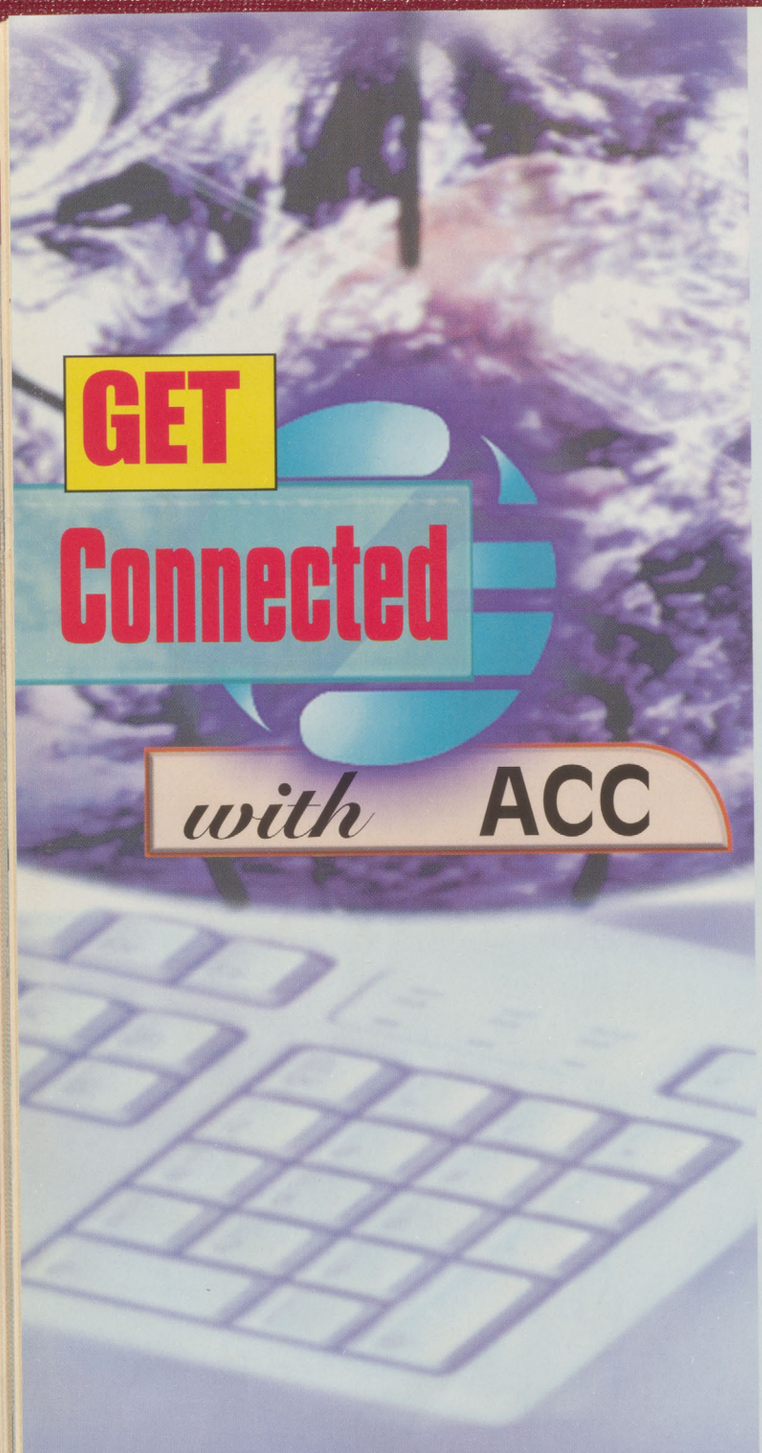

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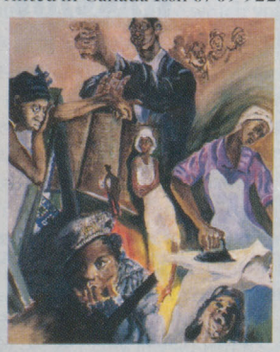

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Not dead yet

IN MANY RESPECTS YOUR ANNOUNCEment of my death is entirely accurate ("In Memoriam," Fall'97). My name, the list of the degrees I earned from McGill and the years in which I earned them, is faultless. However, classmates and creditors may wish to know that I'm still alive. And the *News* may wish to record the passing of my cousin, the late Col. James Domville of Rothesay, N.B.

James deB. Domville, BA'54, BCL'57
Toronto, Ont.

Forgotten Rhodes scholars

MCGILL MAY WELL HAVE PRODUCED the largest number of Rhodes Scholars from any university in Canada, but you appear to have misplaced at least three – Peter Perinchief (1968), Robert Dale (1971) and me (1970) ("Rhodes Scholars Through the Ages," Fall'97).

This has caused some embarrassment in my family. My oldest son, Christopher, is just about to go to university and has been thinking about McGill. He snaggled the *News* out of the mail before I even saw it, and was curious why my name wasn't on your list of McGill Rhodes Scholars. I had to explain that – 30 years ago exactly – I did indeed follow in my father's (and brother's and sister's) footsteps to go to McGill from Calgary, that I took honours economics and political science and graduated with some distinction in 1970, that I successfully applied for an Alberta Rhodes Scholarship (because everyone – quite wrongly – assured me there would be fewer applicants per scholarship than in Quebec) to read law at Balliol, returning to McGill to teach for five years in the Faculty of Law where I subsequently became Associate Dean and a member of Senate. Indeed, I was one of the original organizers (with Elizabeth Rawlinson and Julius Grey) of the University-wide committee which you mention helps prepare McGill students for the Rhodes interviews!

I have also had to explain to my wife (who does not have a McGill connection) how you could have possibly forgotten me when I have almost religiously contributed household funds to the Alma Mater Fund for perhaps 25 years, am a member of the 1821 Society, have recently been prevailed upon to help revive the Edmonton Branch of the Alumni Association, and only last month hosted the new students' send-off barbecue at our home.

Oh, how it hurts to be ignored!

It also occurs to me that there are two other important connections between Rhodes Scholars and McGill. The first is the number of Rhodes Scholars who chose to continue ther studies at McGill (such as Jacqueline Sheppard, who went to Oxford from Newfoundland and then finished her legal studies in the National Programme at McGill, and succeeded me as the secretary of the Rhodes Scholarship Selection Conmittee in Alberta). The second is the nunber of Rhodes Scholars who became menbers of the Faculty at McGill (just off the top of my head, I can think of Dr. Wilder Penfield, Dr. William Feindel, Frank Scott, Pau Crépeau, Philip Slayton, Yves-Marie Morissette – and there must have been many more over the years). If one adds these two considerations to the number of students who became Rhodes Scholars, McGill's "Rhodes Scholarship Concentration Index" would be even more remarkable.

David Phillip Jones, BA'70, Q.C.
Edmonton, Alta.

Ed. note: The McGill News *apologizes to Mr. Jones and the other Rhodes Scholars who have been left out. The McGill list of Rhodes Scholars has been maintained by a volunteer and is not complete. We have updated the McGill Rhodes Scholars List which appears on our web site at: www.mcgill.ca/alumni/news*

Left out

I WAS SADDENED TO SEE THAT MY LATE husband, Donald F. Coates, BEng'48, MEng'54, PhD'65, was not included in the list of McGill Rhodes Scholars ("Rhodes Scholars Through the Ages" Fall'97). It is difficult for me to understand how it happened since Donald was not only a three-time graduate of McGill, but Assistant Professor of Engineering at McGill 1951-57 and a part-timeprofessor of engineering there 1965-73.

Subsequently, he was a founding Director of the Carleton University School of Engineering in Ottawa, and in 1975 he was named Director General of the Canada Centre for Mineral and Engineering Technology (CANMET) in Ottawa.

One of his many accomplishments was authorship of *Rock Mechanics Principles* which was translated into French, Spanish and Chinese.

In 1969, Donald became a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada; in 1972, a Fellow of the New York Academy of Science; and in 1980, a Doctor of Engineering, honoris causa, University of Ottawa. In addition, he was an Adjunct Professor, University of Arizona '73-76, a guest lecturer at the University of California in 1969 and a Member of the Board of Directors, Centre of Research Studies, Queen's University 1974-78. He died in 1981.

Sally C. Coates-Hopkins
Ottawa, Ont.

Ed. note: Sadly, the entire 1947 and 1948 group of Rhodes Scholars was inadvertently omitted from our list. The 1948 group is Ronald Leslie Bernard, Arthur Norwood Canter, Donald Francis Coates, Anthony H. Dunfield and James Reynette Leon. The 1947 Rhodes Scholars are Alastair Gillespie and James Paterson.

Slavery cited

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR LATEST splendid edition (Fall'97). It is informative, entertaining, and certainly heartening to read about the achievements of so many McGill people. That applies as well to the superb McGill record in having such a number of Rhodes Scholars. The article is very interesting to the "rest of us" who looked upon them with a certain amount of envy.

After all my quite sincere huzzahs, however, let me ask how on earth Cecil Rhodes could be referred to as "a man living just around the time when slavery was abolished...". The British parliament abolished slavery throughout the Empire in 1833, 20 years before Rhodes was born, and given that he "remained an Englishman" you should not be influenced by the United States' very late arrival at the same decision (1865). Rhodes probably hardly knew of the existence of that "ex-colony."

I don't want to quibble but there are so many people in the world out there who just never get any facts right, I hate to see a McGill publication falling into such error.

Otherwise, a superb issue. BRAVO ZULU! (and try that one on some of your erudite faculty members and see if they know the origins of BZ=Well Done).

Gerald McCaughey, BA'51
Edmonton, Alta

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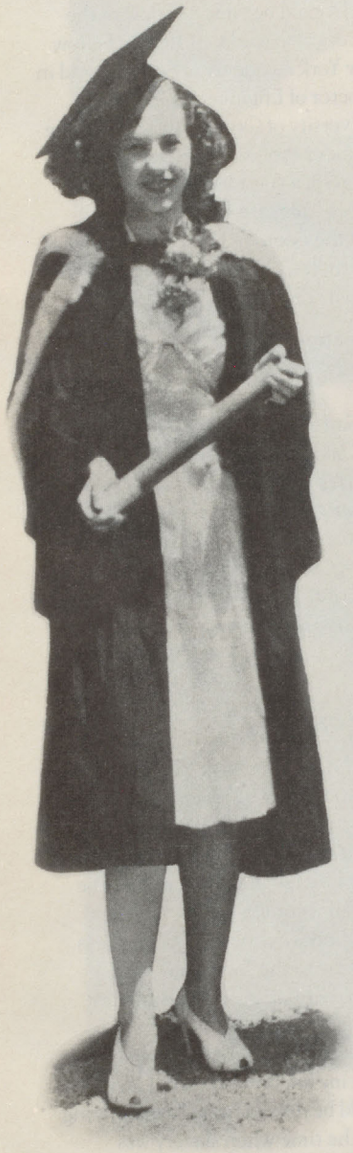
A SNAPSHOT OF ANOTHER McGILL



The hopes and dreams of students from McGill's class of 1940 live again, thanks to the efforts of a McGill graduate. The University has uncovered a fascinating collection of memorabilia relating to this class, many of whom were to spend the next few years in the armed forces. Photos, old programs and other material have been carefully preserved between the sturdy covers of the graduate's scrapbook, on pages now brittle with age.

A clipping conveys the mood of the time. In the Montreal weekly, *The Standard*, June 8, 1940, journalist Gerald Clark, BSc'39, observed: "This year, with war atmosphere, the University did not celebrate as in the past – the Principal's garden party and other traditional events were cancelled – but it did not bar student celebration."

For 20-year-old Dorothy Esmé Graham, BCom'40 – one of only two women students in her class, and the keeper of the scrapbook in question – the Spring Convocation Week activities had a special, lasting significance. Dorothy was featured in four pages of photographs accompanying the text by Gerald Clark. Captions described her ball dress (French lace with red velvet trimming) and evening schedule (Started dancing at 10.30 p.m...went home at 3 a.m.). Most important was the photograph of Dorothy being 'capped' by the Principal, Dr. F. Cyril James.

Dorothy – who later used her married name of Snell – kept the volume with her personal possessions unti her death in London, Ontario, in 1995. Her daughter, Pat Best, loaned it to McGill to help in the preparation of this aticle.

A POEM "TO A PRETZEL"

The scrapbook contains dozens of black and white snapshots. Captions read, "Summer '38, Lake Macdonald, the Laurentians," or "Farewell '38; Hail 1939 (a New Year's Eve party, to which the girls wore long dresses with ribbons and bows)!" An entire page is devoted to a group portrait of 37 serious young men, all fraternity members.

Also noted were a dance card inscribed with the names of dancing partners and a photograph taen in the student lounge known as "The Pit," where Dorothy learned to play bridge.

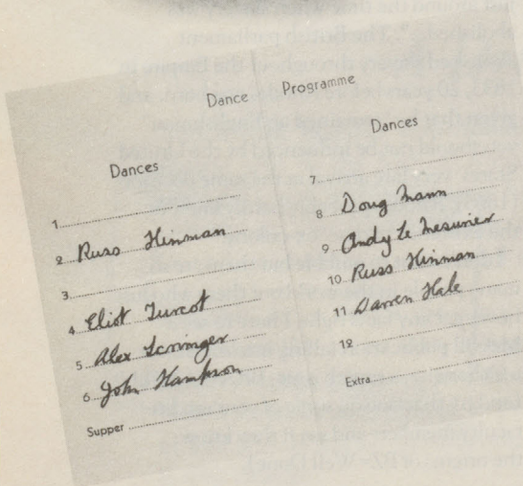
Elsewhere in the scrapbook are the "poetry efforts of Dorothy, in collaboration with Sylvia M. Lazarus" as ublished in the *McGill Daily*. One poem is entitled "To A Pretzel." A program of the McGill Red and White Revue of 1936 liss Dorothy's chorus-line appearances in such sketches as "Olympic Fun and Games, or Along to Bacchus' Roadbuse."

Although Dorothy Snell was afflicted by ill health as a young woman and, again, later in fe, she was a gregarious person with an unfailing sense of humour. Mary Savor, a colleague of hers at ell Canada where Dorothy worked from 1954 until her retirement in 1979, comments: "She had a brilliant mind and a twinkle in her eye."

Daughter Pat, also a Bell employee, recalls that her mother was one of the first to larn how to program Bell's first computer, "an enormous Univac," in the late 50's. "Later she learned Cobol (a high-level programming language) and worked with a Honeywell computer. By the late 0's she was training others to program in Cobol."

CLASS REUNIONS AND A COMMITMENT

Two highlights of Dorothy Snell's retirement years were attending the 50th and 5th reunion dinners for the Commerce Class of '40. Dorothy Snell also showed her attachment to McGil by creating a programme of endowed scholarships. She initiated the commitment some years before he death, and made a provision in her will to ensure its continuation.



Above, Dorothy Snell pictured at her graduation in 1940; above right, Dorothy at a New Year's Eve party in 1939 (Dorothy is at far left).

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La critique

J'AI LU NON SANS UN CERTAIN ÉTONNEment «la critique» de Mme Maïr Verthuy sur mon livre qui s'intitule : *Des Québécois à Hong Kong* (Review, Fall'97). Était-elle la mieux préparée pour l'analyser? Visiblement pas lorsque l'on découvre les lambeaux d'argumentation proposés par cette universitaire. Dès le début, elle est négative, elle commence par trouver que le titre de mon ouvrage «ne peut manquer de surprendre». J'aurais en effet dû m'intéresser plutôt aux autochtones. Aussi, suis-je déjà condamné sur le titre même de mon livre. Notre universitaire voulait probablement dire que seuls les Clinois «opprimés» auraient dû retenir notre attention. Mais, tel n'était pas le sujet du livre. Si elle connaissait un tant soit peu la situation complexe de la Chine, elle saurait que l'influente diaspora chinoise est en train de transformer le régime de Pékin, lequel régime doit ménager Hong Kong, Taïwan et Singapour, ce qui risque fort de permettre le triomphe du pouvoir des marchands sur le pouvoir mandarinal, et ce dans quelques décennies. La directrice-fondatrice de l'Institut Simone de Beauvoir aurait tout le même pu signaler brièvement que l'introduction comme la conclusion de mon livre posent des questions fondamentales sur l'avenir de la Chine. Ce que je reproche également à Mme Verthuy, c'est d'avoir occulté le fait que *Des Québécois à Hong Kong* est un livre tourné vers le dialogue des cultures et des économies. À preuve, le livre vient de recevoir le «Prix Romain Rolland,» prix justement en faveur du dialogue des cultures au sens large. Beau démenti aux propos vraiment superficiels de cette universitaire. Pire encore, Mme Verthuy ne souffle mot des quatre chapitres (sur 14) consacrés à quatre femmes. Peut-être n'a-t-on pas le droit de parler des femmes qui réussissent sans être psychanalyte. Il est évident que cette universitaire s'enferme dans la réalité d'un monde exclusivement douloureux. Elle admet que je puisse présenter la belle figure d'un missionnaire, mais, après lui, «les entretiens appellent davantage le cocktail mondain que l'enquête universitaire». C'est son point de vue que je ne partage pas du tout. Je conseille à ma collègue de lire un livre passionnant qui vient de sortir aux Presses Universitaires de France: *Voyage en grande bourgeoisie*, journal d'enquête. Les deux auteurs, les sociologues Michel et Monique Pinçon-Charlot, ont été, dès le départ, condamnés moralement par leurs pairs. La discipline étant en effet plutôt connotée à gauche. Il n'y a qu'à compter le nombre de recherches qui se sont intéressées au logement social pour s'en convaincre. On leur a reproché de ne pas être des dénonciateurs de privilèges, d'être des chercheurs fascinés par leur sujet. Les auteurs pensent qu'en réalité leurs collègues ont été très vexés d'apprendre qu'ils ne se trouvaient pas au sommet de la société. C'est que Mme Verthuy défend «sa réalité» (ne voir que la population autochtone; refuser les mondains, attitudes après tout méprisantes), pour elle, la seule qui existe. Quel narcissisme! La réalité des autres n'a en vérité, semble-t-il, pas le droit d'exister. Et puis, elle ne souffle mot des conseils fort précieux donnés par ces hommes et femmes d'affaires, partie pourtant fort importante du livre. Nul doute que l'universitaire de Concordia illustre à merveille le problème récurrent des intellectuels qui ont le sentiment de vivre au-dessus de la mêlée. De mon point de vue, elle a tort, nous appartenons tous, je dis bien tous, au vaste réseau humain: les classes bourgeoises, les classes moyennes comme les classes ouvrières, etc. Ces quelques précisions apportées, il est clair, sauf pour Mme Verthuy qui semble implicitement nier le pluralisme sociologique du monde dans lequel nous vivons, que *Des Québécois à Hong Kong* cherche surtout à célébrer (à une époque où la jeunesse occidentale a du mal à trouver ses marques) le courage de certains et certaines d'entre nous qui n'hésitent pas à aller se battre sur des marchés difficiles. *Des Québécois à Hong Kong* est un livre tourné vers l'économie et la place de la Chine dans le monde d'aujourd'hui, dommage pour «la savante» Mme Verthuy qui ne s'en même est pas rendu compte. Les propos superficiels de cette universitaire sont tout simplement affligeants.

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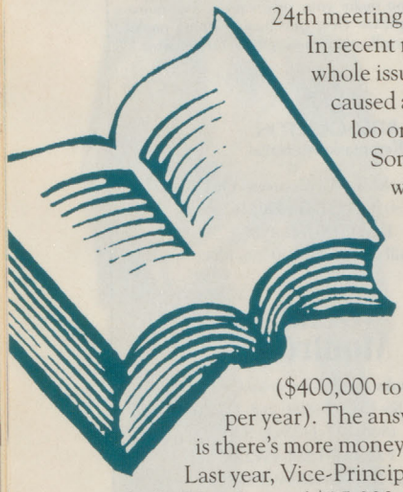
A New Chapter for McGill

There's a good chance McGill will outsource the operation of the McGill Bookstore, located in its new building on McTavish Street. After a fall of raucous debate on campus, The Board of Governors is expected to make the final decision at its November 24th meeting.



In recent months, the whole issue has caused a hullabaloo on campus. Some ask why McGill can't run its own bookstore, already a profitable operation ($400,000 to $500,000 per year). The answer, it seems, is there's more money to be made.

Last year, Vice-Principal (Finance) Phyllis Heaphy paid $35,000 to the accounting firm Samson Bélair Deloitte & Touche to study bids. While proposals rolled in from big American book chains like Follett and Barnes and Noble, a special committee struck by Heaphy recommended awarding the contract to Chapters Inc., the Goliath of the Canadian retail book business.

Proponents say Chapters gives readers good selection and prices, and cozy furniture for book ogling. Others liken Chapters to a WalMart-style cultural monopoly and point to reports of industry bullying by Chapters President – and former Canadian 21st Airborne Division Lieutenant – Larry Stevenson.

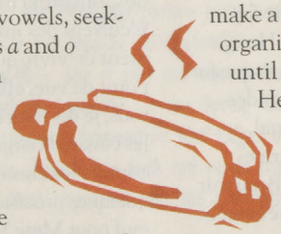
Yet Chapters claims it will increase profits and allow McGill to pay down the $4.5 million bookstore mortgage even faster. Chapters guarantees that the 32 Bookstore employees will remain McGill employees. The megastores are usually coupled with Starbucks cafés, but no word yet on whether current staff will be asking, "Do you want a double moka decaf with that copy of Kafka's *Metamorphosis*?"

Best of the Class

There is a famous face in McGill's first-year civil law program this year. Audrey Best, the wife of Quebec Premier Lucien Bouchard, is studying civil law in the part-time program including a course on constitutional law. The Californian-born mother of two spent last year doing a qualifying year before her admittance this fall.

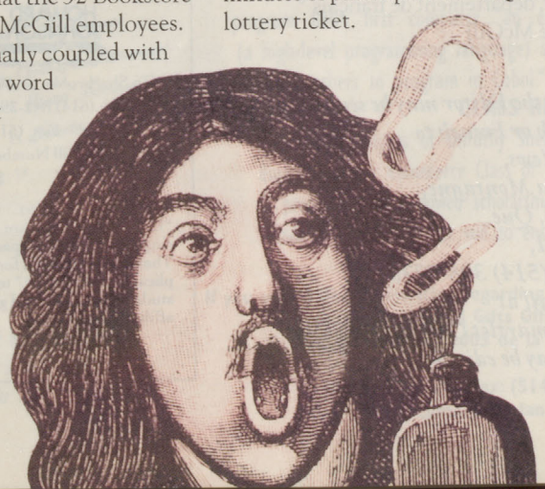
Is that pot, or pat, or pet?

Canadians, you have a special way around the English language. Or so says McGill professor Heather Goad, who is studying pronunciation particularities among Torontonians, Montrealers and Windsorites. The McGill linguist posted notices last September calling for students from these three cities to participate in a study on vowels, seeking to discover if the sounds *a* and *o* are following the American trend to "shift vowels forward."



Known as "low vowels" (because of where they're formed in the mouth), some American dialects now pronounce *o* and *a* differently than before. For instance, *pot* sounds closer to *pat*, and *pat* now sounds closer to *pet*. Goad and researchers Julie Auger and Bridget Haugh, BA'97, hypothesize that any changes toward the American trend will be more pronounced in Windsor – with its closeness to the U.S. border – and in Toronto, because "major metropolitan cities tend to lead trends." Montreal's diminishing English community, on the other hand, might react like a small village and resist outside influence, she anticipates.

Because there's no research funding for this project, her participants forego payment and receive a ticket of hope for 30 minutes of participation – a Quebec lottery ticket.

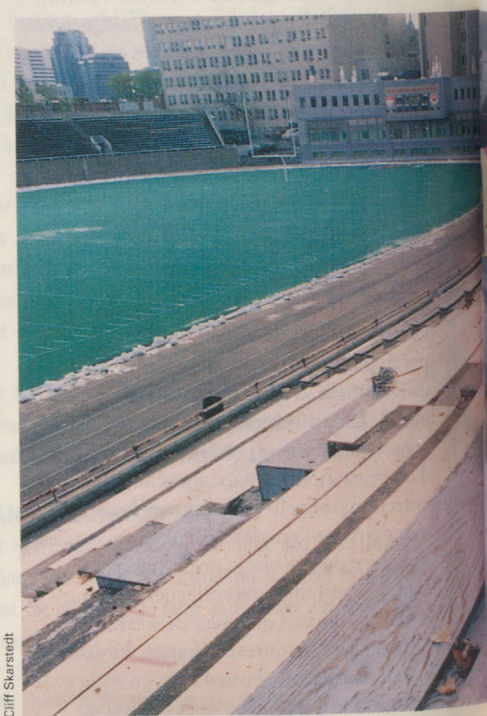


Cheques from Czechs

Who says world events don't impinge on McGill? The floods in the Czech Republic last summer also wiped out the first-year Czech course. For the last few years Montreal's Czech community had contributed to funding Czech instruction at McGill. But given the severity of the flood, the Czech community leaders felt, quite understandably, that the money had to go to emergency relief instead. They hope to resume funding next year.

Hairnets for Students

Pity the poor students from the Student Organization for Alumni Relations (SOAR). During orientation week, they attempted to hold a hot dog roast on the lower campus in order to make a little money and introduce their organization to the students. That was until inspectors from the Montreal Health Department swooped in and demanded that students wear hair nets. No such fashion trend ensued. According to our sources, the health zealots left campus after a polite conversation with some persuasive members of Facilities Management.

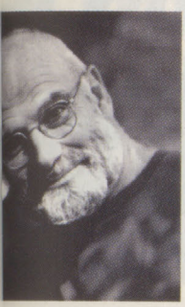


Cliff Skarstedt

Greek ruins or Molson Stadium? A worker ensures that spectators would not be lost between the cracks at the Montreal Alouettes playoff game on November 2. The

Would he or wouldn't he?

That was the question concerning famed neurologist Oliver Sacks at a small dinner before delivering the Beatty Memorial Lecture last October.



Oliver Sacks

Sacks had recently written a *New Yorker* article about meat viruses. So what would he do with plate of chicken in mushroom sauce served up at the McGill Faculty Club? Indeed, Sacks finished his supper, retiring early to prepare his speech "Neurology and the Soul," which he delivered to a sell-out audience of 650. The neurologist and author is best known for his book *Awakenings*, which was turned into a Hollywood film.

U2 Good News for McGill

The arrival of U2's Popmart tour in Montreal was good news for McGill – by domino effect. When the Irish rock group played the Olympic Stadium on November 2, the Montreal Alouettes football team had to find a new venue for their playoff game. McGill offered Molson Stadium free of charge.

e drew 16,000 fans - the best crowd of the Alouettes' n. The team recently announced that Molson ium will be the home of the Alouettes next year.

In turn, the Alouettes spent $55,000 to help fix the stadium, repairing press boxes and any broken seat planks. The crumbling stadium is in need of $6 million in repairs. Now if the Alouettes would only play there another 99 times....

Recruitment Heats Up

If we hold classes, they will come. For years, that was McGill's philosophy toward student recruitment as the best and brightest naturally found their way to McGill. Today, with fewer 18-year-olds in the North American population, the University is using new marketing strategies to compete for accomplished high school seniors. Last February, McGill opened a new Recruitment and Liaison Office. Led by Anne Roussell, it is using the personal touch: phone calls to newly-accepted students from professors, students, and alumni, ad campaigns, appearances at college fairs around the world, and send-off parties for accepted students hosted by alumni.

The aim is to attract a healthy contingent of diverse students which will continue to give McGill its defining characteristic as the most national and international university in Canada. "I want to band together with other Canadian universities and take a 'Team Canada' approach to international recruitment," says Roussell. McGill has increased the number and amounts of scholarships and levels of student assistance. For the first time in many years, all first-year out-of-town students were offered a place in residence in order to help sway their decision. Prospective students (or their parents) can call (514) 398-4751 for information about McGill.

Sports Hall of Fame

McGill named a new contingent to its Sports Hall of Fame at a special luncheon held last September (in addition to the earlier named Gladys Bean, BA'40, DPhe'41, [1918 – 1986] and Jack Gélineau, BCom'49, Summer'97).

Inductees were: Dr. Bobby Bell, BA'26, DDS'28 [1903-1948], the winningest hockey coach in McGill history; Dr. Phil Edwards, MD'36, GDip'45 [1907-1971], who won five Olympic bronze medals while representing Canada at the 1928 Amsterdam Games, the 1932 Los Angeles Games, and the 1936 Berlin Games; Dr. Cyril "Flin" Flanagan, DDS'23 [1897-1994], who excelled at football and hockey and even refused a $4,000 offer from the Montreal Canadiens in 1922, saying it was wrong to take money for sport; Frank "Shag" Shaughnessy [1884-1969], who coached Redmen football to a 32-52-4 record over 15 seasons and introduced the forward pass to Canadian football. He also coached men's and women's hockey. The 1945-46 Redmen Hockey Team took the team award. The team was the last to win a Canadian hockey championship for McGill.

Frank Shaughnessy

Dr. Phil Edwards

Donations Up

For the 1996-97 year, McGill raised more money in donations than ever before – $44, 807,473. Most of the donations – some 48 percent – came from the Montreal region. Another 30 percent came from Canada, 11 percent from the United States, and 10 percent internationally. The Alma Mater Fund had an excellent year, realizing more than $4 million from alumni. Bequests – the fastest growing area of donations – brought $7, 217, 673 to McGill.

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(and other cries of protest)

It used to be that students threw themselves into a protest at the least provocation, but in recent years campuses have been better known as "hotbeds of rest" as students focussed on finishing their degrees and getting out into a moribund job market. Last spring, however, a group of 18 McGill students, angry over proposed fee increases, paid a visit to the Principal's office in the James Administration Building. It was early morning and there were few office staff at work. After announcing a non-violent student occupation, the students presented a list of demands that included the withdrawal of the proposed fee increases (a $255 administrative fee, additional session fees for graduate students, and increased international student fees) and greater representation on university committees that directly affect student wallets. Rising from his desk, Principal Bernard Shapiro said he refused to negotiate under such conditions. The protesters refused to leave and they stayed put for three days. Once again, the costs of higher education led to student revolt.

And while university campuses aren't necessarily returning to the heyday of student protests seen in the '60s, ten Canadian universities experienced similar occupations in 1997, while in October 1996, students organized a "Pan-Canadian Week of Action" against education cuts and tuition increases culminating in a "Day of Action" on Parliament Hill.

The McGill sit-in last April was the climax of four days of protest against the fee hikes. There was a panhandling demonstration at the Leacock Building, the chaining shut of the Arts Building doors, a "Taste of the Future" protest where students served Cheez Whiz and crackers on the steps of the Faculty Club as a symbol of the future student diet, and a fax-jamming campaign directed at the Board of Governors who approved the fee increases.

Still, some would say it's hard to muster a lot of sympathy for students whose tuition is the lowest in Canada. Additional fees, however, can add up. McGill tuition averages $1,668; administrative and services fees can tack on another $600 to $1,000. For the 8,000 out-of-province students, Quebec is welcoming them with an additional $1,200 increase in tuition (a total of $2,868). Universities meanwhile are trying to cope with enormous budget cuts. The Quebec government plans $100 million in cutbacks to post-secondary education next year, which will leave McGill $11.4 million poorer in 1998-99, and then again in 1999-2000. With tuition fees frozen and budgets cut, universities are trying to raise auxiliary fees.

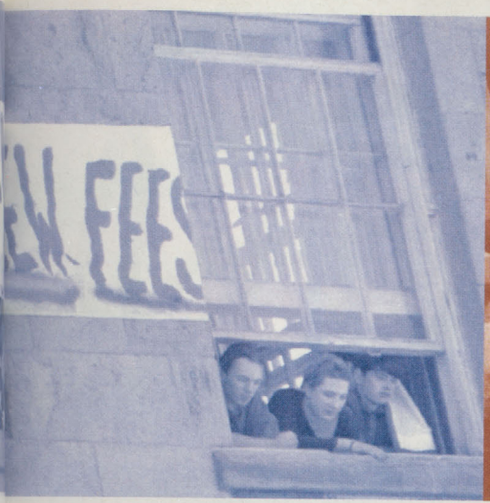
When students occupied Principal Shapiro's office last April, they took their place with McGill student protesters of yesteryear. Styles may change but the mainspring of protest is often the same: tuition fees.

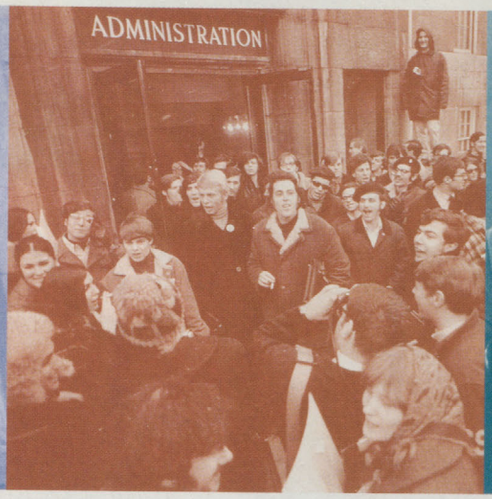
by Andrew Mullins and Sean Pierre, BSc'97

"I was a radical once myself"

All the recent campus unrest is still a far cry from student protests at McGill in the '60s. At McGill, the atmosphere of protest began in 1965 with demonstrations against rising tuition. Others had different concerns: in 1968, political science students occupied the Leacock building, demanding a say in the workings of the department; while in the McGill Français March of 1969, 10,000 students from Quebec CEGEPs and universities marched on campus demanding McGill become a French-language university.

Perhaps most explosive of all was the *McGill Daily* incident in 1967. In a satirical column, arts student John Fekete reprinted a part of an American article that described necrophilia involving John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson. This prompted charges of obscene libel made by Principal Rocke Robertson and the University administration against the *Daily* editors and author. The controversy





At left: In April 1997, students demonstrated against higher tuition fees from the Principal's office. Second from right: Students protest in front of Administration building in 1969. Far right: Part-time faculty member and activist Stanley Gray supports the students in a standoff with Vice-Principal Michael K. Oliver, 1969

McGill Archives

escalated quickly as students felt shut out of disciplinary procedures. Hundreds of students took over the James Administration Building. Classes were cancelled, which even prompted some professors to deliver impromptu lectures on civil disobedience. What had been a minor disciplinary problem exploded into a general protest over student power within the university.

At the height of the incident in November, 30 students broke into Principal Robertson's office. As Montreal city councillor Sam Boskey, BA'70, BCL'78, recalls, "We occupied the principal's office in a very peaceful way. Within minutes we were surrounded by TV cameras, Sydney Margales from CJAD radio who had a portable transmitter on his back, Maxwell Cohen, Dean of Law, who intoned, 'Dear Occupiers, I was a radical once myself,' [ed.: in an effort to get students out of the office] and many observers.

After a few hours the police arrived. We were ceremoniously carried out into what we thought would be paddy wagons – instead we were merely dumped outside and the police left."

In the aftermath, only Fekete was disciplined for his article, with a token one-week suspension. And shortly afterward student seats were added to the McGill Board of Governors and Senate.

Recalling the '60s protests, Fekete, BA'68, MA'69, now a professor of cultural studies at Trent University, said, "During the high water mark of student activism, fee increases were at the origins of the political processes that eventually produced the sit-in of 1967. People should be reminded that in those days, the conservative student position was: Freeze Tuition Fees! The liberal student position was: Free Tuition! And the left-wing student position was: Salaries For Students! The whole social expectation on the issue of the costs of education has shifted."

More protests in sight?

Indeed, expectations have shifted radically. Many students today worry about creeping privatization. "It's happening in management, in engineering. It's definitely a concern," says McGill Students' Society President Tara Newell (who nevertheless supports outsourcing McGill Bookstore management to Chapters).

Sam Boskey sympathizes with student concerns over the costs. "Fees and fee increases always filter out potential students. When summer jobs were plentiful, it might have been an inconvenience. When academic costs and living costs are high, and the possibilities of rapidly paying down loans via quick employment following graduation are low, there is a severe threat to democratic access to the system."

Have the 1996-97 protests had any effect? "They raised a lot of awareness," says Newell. "Students learned they had rights." The "administrative fee" was reduced from $255 to $156 per year. McGill entrance scholarships to out-of-province Canadian students were increased from $2,000 to $3,000, one of the effects of an additional $3 million from the university operating budget which has been allocated to student assistance. But according to Newell, "Students are on edge. They're at the point where they won't take any more."

With the government on their backs and the banks at their doorstep, many students feel that McGill should be working closely with them. "There's definitely not enough student representation at the lower levels. There are four student seats on the Board of Governors but when something arrives there it's already at the approval stage." (Students have been overruled by the Board on every fee increase during the past seven years.) "We need involvement on sub-committees, at the planning stage." Shapiro admits that matters might be improved by routinely consulting students, though he is quick to point out that "there is a difference between representation and getting what you want."

Student leaders are also not completely unsympathetic to the university's position. "It's a difficult situation to be in, biting the hand that feeds you," Newell says of the relationship between the university and the government. "But the root of the problem is government funding and the administration is not fighting the government."

Still, the students who occupied Principal Shapiro's office last spring believe in fighting fair. When they left they dutifully cleaned the office and private toilet with Windex.

If anyone was found frozen in a garret, chances are that it was a poet

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If you were to go to a masquerade ball dressed as a poet, how would you disguise yourself? Poets can be the most protean of artists: they can work anywhere, dress in any way, exist under any circumstances. In the 1940s, when people called the Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company and asked to speak to the vice-president, many were unaware the man they were talking to, Wallace Stevens, was one of the most widely read poets of the day. Similarly, you cannot simply identify a poet strolling the grounds of McGill by distinctive markings, as you would a blue jay. But the fact that you can't see them doesn't mean they aren't there.

Despite – or perhaps because of – their day-to-day anonymity, poets have a reputation. In the early nineteenth century, poets such as Samuel Coleridge, William Wordsworth and William Blake propounded a view that poets were divinely inspired, the muse conferring the gift of poetry upon her conduit, the poet. But the poet's life wasn't simply a matter of being seduced by the muse, and seducing others in turn. Poets were also supposed to abandon all to their art and live in privation. If anyone was found frozen in a garret, chances are that it was a poet.

But there was a paradox. According to the stereotype, poets were also supposed to live a life of indulgence, casting aside the fetters of staid morality and exploring sensual and intellectual realms with equal enthusiasm. "Enough! or too much," Blake demanded in *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*, setting the stage for such fast-living legends as Welsh bard Dylan Thomas.

Who could live up to such a billing? Not Thomas, whose pursuit of the poetic life left him dead of wild living at 39. Today the poet almost seems a quaint throwback to a time before high-tech action movies and World Wide Web browsers. Whither the poets?

You can't see them, but they're out there somewhere. The League of Canadian Poets lists 450 members, and about 100 titles of poetry were published in Canada last year. There are writers, even if readers are elusive: a bestseller in poetry need only sell 500 copies. Meanwhile, the notion of romantic inspiration has taken a beating. Poets admit the truth – poetry is a craft requiring discipline and knowledge, rather than a gift from the gods. Hard work, little recognition. Then there's that problem of filthy lucre. True, we now have Murray Lachlan Young, a dashing "spoken-word" poet and Scotsman who has the literati proclaiming the apocalypse over his multi-million dollar deals with both the EMI recording company and MTV. But back down on earth, even making a living on trochees and enjambments is a near impossibility, a fact that perhaps drives many poets today to academic life.

McGill has had more than its share of poets over the years. They've wandered the campus greens in a Wordsworthian reverie as their latest sonnet or villanelle took shape, or huddled in their turtlenecks over abundant liquor and endless cigarettes as they debated personal and universal poetics (though these days the young poet's costume might be tattoos and Birkenstocks). Many McGill poets of yesteryear now loom as fixtures of the Canadian canon: F.R. Scott, BCL'27, LLD'67; A.J.M. Smith; A.M. Klein, BA'30; Louis Dudek, BA'39; Leonard Cohen, BA'55, LLD'92; and perhaps most imposing of all, Irving Layton, BSc(Agr)'39, MA'46. Others are just now establishing themselves as poets to be reckoned with: Anne Carson and Eric Ormsby are receiving international recognition, even while most Canadians – never quick to celebrate our best and brightest – ask, "Who?"

Plato would have banned poets from his Republic, there being no place for liars and seducers, storytellers and social critics. Is a poet's life really so dramatic? We endeavour to find out.

by Andrew Mullins and Patrick McDonagh

Background Photo: Uncle Heavy

Life

Essential gaudiness and the music of words

Eric Ormsby knows the trials and tribulations of becoming a poet. Ormsby, 55, is a professor of Islamic Studies. His office is stacked high with books, some in English, others in Arabic, that form an extra wall before his desk. Yet Ormsby keeps his academic work and his poetry separate (when he was director of libraries, "No one wanted to see a poetic budget," he notes).

Ormsby has published in such high-profile journals as the *New Yorker*, the *New Republic*, *Descant* and *The Fiddlehead*. "Writing is a separate part of my daily activity. I used to write in the mornings when I was director of libraries; it was easier to compartmentalize my day then. Being a professor draws a lot of energy. It would be very hard for me to write a poem after teaching. But I still write daily."

If poetry takes only a fraction of Ormsby's working day, the poet's life must look like anyone else's life. Maybe even less exciting, because much of what makes a poet happens internally. "I just like words," says Ormsby. "I like the music of words, something memorable that sticks in the mind." His love of words is apparent – his poems are often best read in the company of a good dictionary: ". . . those peach-stung / volutes of supersession," he writes in "Turtle's Skull," "cowrie / and turkey wing, the murex with its acrid spirals and the bony rose / of the lion's paw." "That may be a flaw," he says, but there is a meaning to this style. "I think poetry needs more razzle-dazzle. What Wallace Stevens called the 'essential gaudiness of poetry,' or Louis MacNeice called a 'controlled flamboyance of diction'."

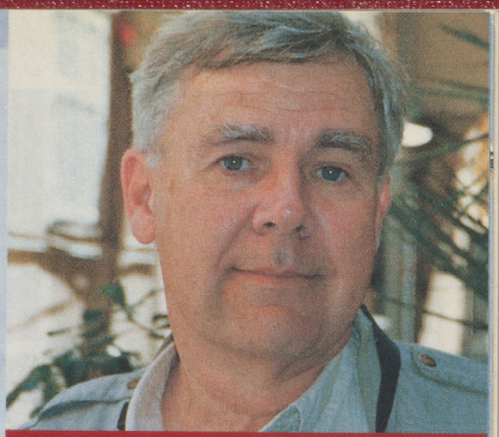
Ormsby's poems describe the minutiae of life: ant lions and roadside grasses vie for space with memories of home and family. "One draws from one's whole lifetime in writing – experiences are so intense. A lot of my writing coincided with my mother's death and the closing of her home. I'm also drawn by the past, seeing it as something dangerous one has to handle very carefully. It's not a neutral zone. One could become swallowed up by it."

Life as a poet for Ormsby is tentative: "I think of myself as a poet when I'm writing poetry. I might introduce myself as a poet if I were with other poets," he concedes, "but the status is provisional. You never know when you sit down to write if the gift will be present. You have to earn it each time."

Unassuming in person, Ormsby is not inhibited on the page. He has published three collections of poetry – his latest, *For a Modest God*, with New York's prestigious Grove Press – and in 1991 he won the QSPELL A.M. Klein Prize for poetry. In the world of the poet, he has hit the big time – three of his poems appear in the *Norton Anthology of Poetry*, which, as a standard undergraduate text, is the nearest thing to a poet's Hall of Fame in North America. Even so, Ormbsy doesn't automatically get his poems published.

"In the past, I would send out 30 to 40 poems for every one accepted, but no longer. Now I send to journals more likely to publish my work.

"You can't write poetry for the acknowledgement, because you won't get it (never mind money!) but for your own satisfaction," he explains. "There's nothing like feeling you've put something down the way you wanted to – I get a real sense of exhilaration."



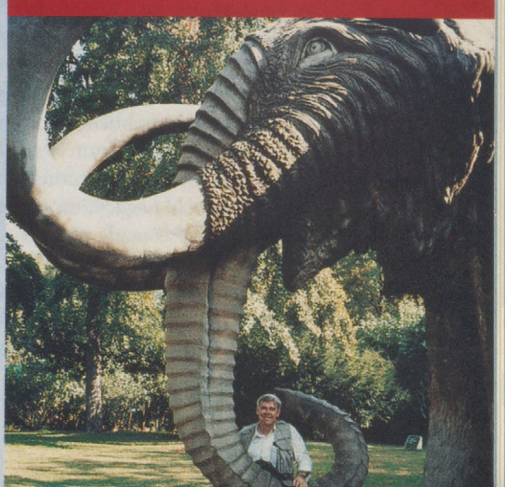
Irena Murray

December

December rings in the chill mouths of bells,
the shadowy solicitude of grasses
eyelashed with precarious snow.
There is a crystalline insistence in the black
repetitious rooftops with their shock
of snow. The ragged chimneys seem
to pray with fingers pinched
together in entreaty while the luscious
clouds of winter wallow on gray
organzas of sundown.
December bows
under threadbare memories. The spider
in the corner of the house shrivels
to a small dark claw. At night
our dreams infringe and pool,
our common terrors shake us in sleep.

Upriver there are remote
oceans whose cold waves still ring
like freezing echoes in the mouths of bells.

– Eric Ormsby, from *Bavarian Shrine and Other Poems*, ECW Press, 1990



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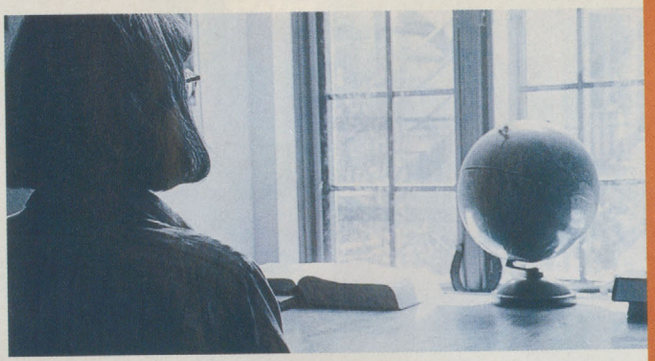


Brainsex, volcanoes, Italian retreats

Is the poet an authentic recluse, sequestered alone at home in the darkness of a too tiny and strangely aromatic apartment, poring over the hieroglyphs and metaphor of the latest manuscript? Emily Dickinson certainly didn't get out much, and the youngest Brontë sister – another poetry-cursed Emily – wasn't exactly jet-setting across the English moors either. Trying to reach a more contemporary poet, Anne Carson, 46, a professor of classics at McGill whose poetry is affected by both these women, had us wondering.

The winner of a prestigious Lannan Literary Award (US$50,000) last year, the 1996 QSPELL Prize for poetry, and a recent recipient of a Rockefeller Foundation grant – awarding her a stay at the Foundation's scholarly and artistic retreat in Bellagio, northern Italy – the prize-laden Carson proved difficult to reach. We received a tip she was back in town ("I think I just saw Anne Carson, coming out of Leacock," said our source, as if she had just spied the elusive American master novelist Thomas Pynchon or a rare warbler). Calls to Carson's office bounced to the history department. Calls to the history department met only with answering machines. E-mail vanished into cyberspace. We briefly considered staking out Carson's office or city block, like poetry-crazed paparazzi, the way Pynchon himself was recently ambushed and photographed after 30 years of improbable anonymity in Manhattan.

Instead we hit the books, something the poets would no doubt prefer. Carson is on the verge of becoming a major poet. She can actually sell poetry (no mean feat), and her poems make you happy for the state of the art. Her work blends long mesmerizing narratives, fragmentary lyrics taking inspiration from her classical background and its world of ancient bits and pieces, distilled prose poems, and essays that metamorphose into poetry themselves. Carson's muse is formally experimental, without alienating the reader. As for interviews, a Q&A section in the long poem "Mimnermos: the Brainsex Paintings" from Carson's *Plainwater* provides a clue to her feelings about those: "What are you digging for," asks the hoary 7th-century BC poet Mimnermos of the interviewer, whose questions are met with silence.

Still, Carson has been interviewed by *Matrix* magazine, and McGill's student-published *Scrivener*. She is well-travelled and many poems take the form of poetic travelogues. She has even worked in television, as a consultant for the PBS documentary series *The Nobel Legacy*, an experience that did not leave her impressed. "TV is made of light, like shame," she writes in her poem, "TV Men."

The idea of Carson the poet sequestered in an Italian retreat provided by the Rockefellers isn't exactly dull stuff either. Shelley, Byron and others were at home in Italy. Shelley died a poetic death there by drowning in the Bay of Spezia, later to be cremated on the beach where he washed ashore. His friend Edward Trelawny plucked the poet's heart from the fire and gave it to widow Mary Shelley. Over the centuries, Bellagio has seen the likes of Pliny the Younger, European emperors and empresses, Stendhal, and Franz Liszt pass through town. But the present day retreat attracts biologists, health care researchers, and book fair directors, among others, studying the world's political and ecological woes and bringing a dose of the quotidian to the romantic Lombard setting. Carson would no doubt shun any romantic image. As for her academic and personal lives, she told *Matrix* magazine, "I teach ancient Greek and Latin for a living . . . I am not very interested in biographical data."

On Ovid

I see him there on a night
like this but cool, the moon
blowing through black
streets. He sups and walks
back to his room. The radio
is on the floor. Its luminous
green dial blares softly.
He sits down at the table;
people in exile write
so many letters. Now Ovid
is weeping. Each night about
this time he puts on sadness
like a garment and goes
on writing. In his spare
time he is teaching himself
the local language (Getic)
in order to compose in
it an epic poem no one will
ever read.

– Anne Carson, "Short Talks" from *Plainwater*, Knopf, 1995

Anne Carson at home

Poet, rock star, or Zen monk?

While Carson is keeping a low profile, few Canadian poets can claim the visibility wielded by Montreal-born poet and troubadour, Leonard Cohen. Cohen's notoriety is due largely to his dark, seductive folk and rock music – the setting for much of his brooding romantic verse – more than books of poems. He has been dubbed "the Poet-Laureate of Pessimism" and "the Prince of Bummers," and one critic has quipped of the Cohen oeuvre, "music to commit suicide to." Cohen, 63, can infuriate and entice, has a reputation as a lover of women that can cause women young and old to snort with disdain or laughter, or deliquesce with lust. More than once he has claimed he started writ-

ing to get dates. He's been linked to many women, some famous – singers Joni Mitchell and Janis Joplin, actress Rebecca De Mornay – some unknown, but immortalized in his songs and poems (*So Long, Marianne, Suzanne, Sisters of Mercy*).

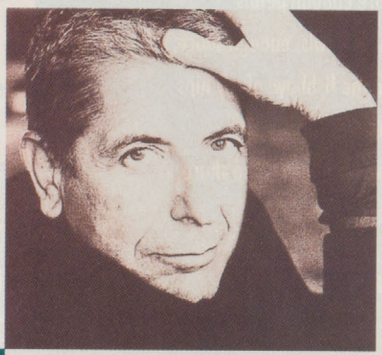
Despite the lothario image, Cohen has maintained good relationships with the women of his past. His ex-wife and mother of two children, Suzanne Elrod – no, not that Suzanne – has described him as "the most responsible human being imaginable." He provokes and moves us with words that are not exactly run of the mill pop lyrics: "And I'll dance with you in Vienna / I'll be wearing a river's disguise / The hyacinth wild on my shoulder / My mouth on the dew of your thighs / And I'll bury my soul in a scrapbook / With the photographs there, and the moss / And I'll yield to the flood of your beauty / My cheap violin and my cross." Poetry and music are not separate for Cohen, who has said, "Some were songs first and some were poems first and some were situations. All of my writing has guitars behind it, even the novels."

At McGill, Cohen was a protégé of well-known poet and professor, Louis Dudek, who along with Irving Layton – the most important of Cohen's mentors – founded Contact Press in the fifties to help establish Canadian poets. Cohen's first book, *Let Us Compare Mythologies*, was published in 1956, and subsequent works like *The Spice-Box of Earth* and the novel *Beautiful Losers* drew critical acclaim.

"The Marines of the spiritual world," Cohen has said of the Zen monks with whom he studies.

Still, while accolades will feed the poet's ego for a while, a tiny larder is another story. Early on, Cohen found himself confronted with the age-old poet's dilemma: where's the money going to come from? According to UBC professor Ira Nadel's biography, *Various Positions*, in 1966 Cohen set upon a solution that could satisfy practical and artistic needs. Already a relatively accomplished guitarist, Cohen became enamoured of the songs of Bob Dylan. He announced at a party that included F.R. Scott, Al Purdy, A.J.M. Smith, Ralph Gustafson, Dudek, and Layton, that he would become the Canadian Dylan, and was soon transfigured into the poet-minstrel we know now. *The Songs of Leonard Cohen* followed in 1968 and Cohen the sensuous, mystical poet was now Cohen the sensuous, mystical folk rock singer.

Over the years, roaming from Greece back to Montreal and on to California, Cohen has issued a not-so-steady stream of records and books. The fact that the Los Angeles-based poet-songwriter now divides his time between music, writing, and training at a Zen monastery will do nothing to dispel the mythologies that surround his name. At the Mount Baldy Zen monastery, Cohen lives in a small cabin, serving in part as cook for the Roshi there, Joshu Sasaki, the 89-year-old Zen master who has trained him in spiritual discipline. Cohen has been ordained as a Zen Buddhist monk, taking the name of Jikan: typical of Zen humour and mystery, it translates ironically as Silent One. "The Marines of the spiritual world," he has said of the monks and their training. And while he is perhaps known these days more for his records, his 1993 book *Stranger Music: Selected Poems and Songs* sold 40,000 copies in Canada, more than any Canadian poet, with the possible exceptions of Layton and Margaret Atwood, could hope to sell.



Leonard Cohen

Mainlining the Muse

A hot summer evening on Blvd. St-Laurent – more famously known as The Main – and the poets are out in force. At the Pub Cité, *Mainlines*, a poetry reading series that has grown out of a student workshop sponsored by English department professor Brian Trehearne, BA'79, MA'81, PhD'86, is half-way through its first summer season. The small pub is packed with almost 50 poetry-hounds, an exceptional crowd. Beer is flowing; cigarettes are smoldering. On the stage, a woman in her mid-twenties, poised but a tad bashful, reads to the crowd from a sheaf of foolscap. The crowd is attentive and supportive. According to Marta Cooper, 23, BA'97, who co-organizes *Mainlines* with McGill doctoral student Dean Irvine, most of the audience are fellow writers or friends.

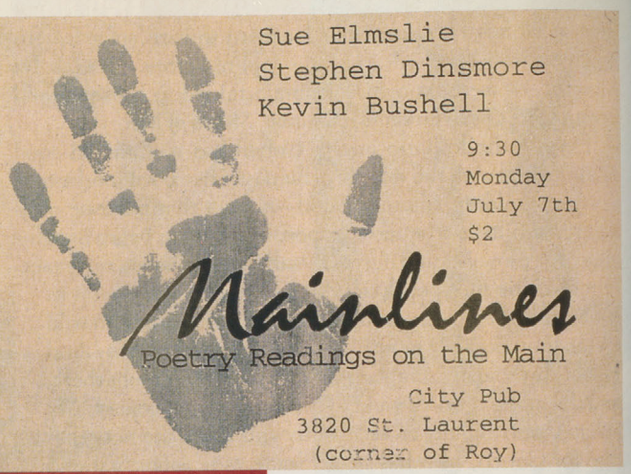
Susan Elmslie, 29, is reading her work. A doctoral student in English, Elmslie has already published a chapbook, *When Your Body Takes to Trembling*, with Windsor's Cranberry Tree Press. Her interest in poetry has deep roots. "I started writing when I was about 10," she says. "The first poet I recall reading was Leonard Cohen – *Flowers for Hitler*. Reading poetry felt like I was doing something naughty."

Masarah VanEyck, 27, a history doctoral student from Minnesota, is also a published poet and won a poetry contest sponsored by the literary journal *Other Voices*. Like Elmslie, she began writing in childhood. But both Elmslie and VanEyck insist that poetry requires experience. "It takes a long time to decide who you are," VanEyck points out.

Both also reject the stereotypes. "I resist the romanticized notion of a poet," says Elmslie. "It's limiting. It says that unless you can strip morals away, live at the edge of society, you're not

It is nothing,
not a wandering from his wife, not
any message, just
the way people who are loved can flay themselves open
and then close. His wife
licks roe from her lips, plans
to be pregnant by June. There is enough biting
wasabi for everyone, there are enough petals
of pickled ginger, enough sauce bowls, enough sauce, everything
is in order as the loose fish in the fishbowl of my hips
flips itself. And though its fins flutter,
the blade of the hot wine down my throat is so sharp,
that slice takes only a moment.

– Masarah VanEyck, from "Fish"



Student poets: Dean Irvine, Masarah VanEyck, Marta Cooper, and Susan Elmslie

giving yourself to art." Indeed, anyone who is working on a doctoral dissertation cannot pretend to live solely for art. Says VanEyck, "It's best to have preoccupations other than writing, to keep the writing peripheral. I try to be disciplined. I do homework – I still call it homework! – until around 11:30 p.m., when I crack a beer and write for an hour or two."

The *Mainlines* poetry tends toward the personal and confessional, exploring ideas of family, love and relationships, and trying to situate the narrator in the world around her. But although broad themes are shared, individual approaches vary. VanEyck's poems are confessional, often erotic, filled with images of the body, eating, starving, swelling, transforming. Cooper's more narrative-driven poems focus on family history and troubled lovers. Many of Elmslie's introspective meditations read as conversations between poet and lover, poet and friend, as the narrator tries to sort through emotions and memories.

Cooper says there is a strong community feeling in the student poetry scene, and she credits Trehearne and his workshop. Last year's workshop prompted McGill's first undergraduate poetry writing course open to 20 students. Talented students are recognized by the the Mona Adilman Poetry Prize, a $650 award given for students writing with an ecological bent. Mona Adilman, BA'45, a poet, social activist, and environmentalist wanted young poets to be encouraged in their craft. Recent winners include Portia Taylor, BA'97, (1997), Aidan Baker, BA'96, (1996), and Robyn Eversole, MA'95, (1995).

The poet is a complex figure, dispelling myths with the right hand, propagating them with the left

Liars, bad drivers, insufferable blabbermouths

So continues the McGill tradition of the poet, a complex figure in the end, dispelling myths with the right hand, propagating them with the left. Plato distrusted the poets so much he would have banned them from his Republic, there being no place in such an ideal world for liars and seducers, storytellers and social critics. Yet what would Plato have done with F.R. Scott, the former Dean of Law at McGill, Anne Carson, professor of Classics, Eric Ormsby, expert in Islamic studies? (We know what he'd want to do with the likes of Irving Layton and Leonard Cohen; our money would be on Layton, who, with enthusiastic help from Al Purdy, would probably wrestle the philosopher to the ground for a good pummeling, rebuking him all the while – as he has done with fellow poets – as an "insufferable blabbermouth.")

The poets of today can't be pigeon-holed as those dreamy-eyed romantics of yore, nor in this ironic, postmodern age as the bellowing, bardic visionaries drinking themselves to death. British novelist Martin Amis jokes in *The Information* that poets should not be granted driver's licenses, unable as they are to negotiate the linear, narrative-like gridway of modern roads. Perhaps, but the poets we see today at McGill, as elsewhere, are as varied and level-headed a bunch of artists as you're likely to meet, and any good republic could do with a lot more of them, doggedly interpreting the minutiae and the mysteries of the world for those sharp enough to listen.

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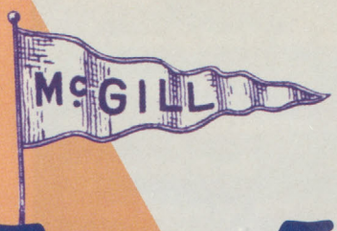

GET THE MOST OUT OF McGILL

Once you've graduated there's still a lot you can get out of good ol' McGill. One might ask: why should one ever leave the campus at all?

by Sean Pierre, BSc'97, and Angelie Kim, BA'98

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Let's be clear. It's NOT advice, but free information you can get from the eager law students at the Legal Information Clinic. The service is open to everyone and, as a consequence, the law students are learning to be judicious about their personal life. The bulk of inquiries are about separation, divorce and child custody.
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Contact: Pietro Bozzo, (514) 398-6243
Web site: www.yellowdoor.mcgill.ca
e-mail: pbozzo@po-box.mcgill.ca

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Funded by students, McGill's Sexual Assault Centre is one of the finest examples of student service to the community. There is a help-line – Monday to Friday, 6 pm to midnight – which provides emotional support and information to sexual assault victims. All calls are confidential and the volunteers have extensive training.

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The centre runs five support groups: for men and women with eating disorders, for partners, family and friends of sexual assault survivors, for male survivors of sexual abuse, for female survivors of childhood sexual abuse and for female survivors of adult sexual abuse.

Sexual Assault Centre of McGill's Students' Society
Director: Christina Gravely
Tel: (514) 398-2700
24-hour bilingual help line (514) 398-8500

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Educational Support Office
Gerald Bronfman Centre for Clinical Research in Oncology
546 Pine Avenue West
Montreal, Que. H2W 1S6
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McGill Nightline: (514) 398-6246

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Stephen Leacock Building (Basement)
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Pollack Hall, Faculty of Music
555 Sherbrooke Street West
Montreal, Que. H3A 1E3
Telephone listings of concerts: (514) 398-4547
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Web: www.CreativeSounds.com

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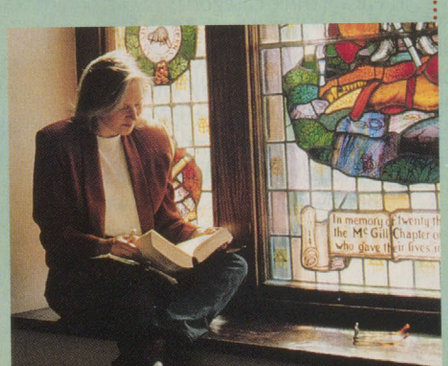
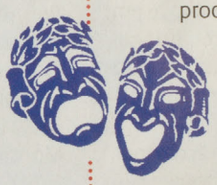


THEATRE

Every year, the English Department stages two major productions, usually in November and February. Auditions are open to everyone – even alumni actors. The February production will be *Arcadia* by Tom Stoppard (February 11 to 21st). Admission is $12 for adults, $6 for students and seniors.
Contact: Myrna Selkirk (514) 398-6587.



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Get theatrical in Moyse Hall, a 306-seat theatre in McGill's oldest building. The Arts building was built between 1839 and 1843, but Moyse Hall was not constructed until 1925 when the building underwent renovations. Named for Charles Moyse, who taught English at McGill for 42 years, the theatre is an elegant venue with 10 electric bronze chandeliers and *bas reliefs* by Henri Hébert.

On weekdays, the theatre costs $680, including technicians (for lighting and sound), ushers and a couple of other perks. On the weekend, the price goes up because of porter fees. We hear the prices are not set in stone – so good luck. (Alumni have contributed greatly to the up-keep of the theatre, so alumnus, plead your case.)

Moyse Hall,
Arts Building
853 Sherbrooke St. West
Montreal, Que. H3A 2T6
Contact:
Peter (Spike) Lyne
(514) 398-6578

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The site of many CBC concerts, Redpath Hall was once the Redpath Library reading room, which was built in 1893 by architect Sir Andrew Taylor and donated by Peter and Grace Redpath. The Richardsonian Romanesque architecture lends itself favourably to a concert atmosphere. The hall seats 300 and features a replica of a French Renaissance organ that was donated in 1981.

The Redpath Hall rental fee is $660, which includes six hours' use of the hall, a stage manager, stagehand and usher, and ticket taker.
Redpath Hall, Entrance: McTavish Gates
For hall rentals, Contact: Hélène Drouin at (514) 398-8993
e-mail: drouin@music.mcgill.ca

Pollack Hall is a bit like Moyse Hall in many respects. It seats 600 people and can be rented for lectures as well as concerts. The fee is $1,190 for six hours and includes use of the equipment, a stage manager and stage hand for six hours, an usher for three hours and a person in the ticket box office from one hour before the concert/lecture up to the first intermission.
Pollack Hall, Faculty of Music, 555 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Que. H3A 1E3. Tel: 398-8993

Redpath Hall (top)
Pollack Hall (above)

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3650 McTavish Street, Montreal, PQ H3A 1X9
Contact: Jerome Holmes (514) 398-3756
Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 11:30 am to 12:00 am; Thursday, 11:30 am. to 1:00 am; Friday, 11:30 am to 2:00 am. Summer hours: 11:30 am to 11:00 pm., Friday until midnight, closed on weekends except for events.

Screen Your Film or Video!

There's a 52-seat theatre in the Cultural Studies Building which you can rent out to show films or slides, all with surround sound technology. The National Film Board Collection is available to the theatre via fibre optics, so it's especially attractive to those interested in the performing arts. There is no formal fee structure – this is a great opportunity for those with superior negotiating skills.
Cultural Studies Building Theatre, 3475 Peel Street
Contact: Brian Morel (514) 398-6553

PARKING

Park Yourself!

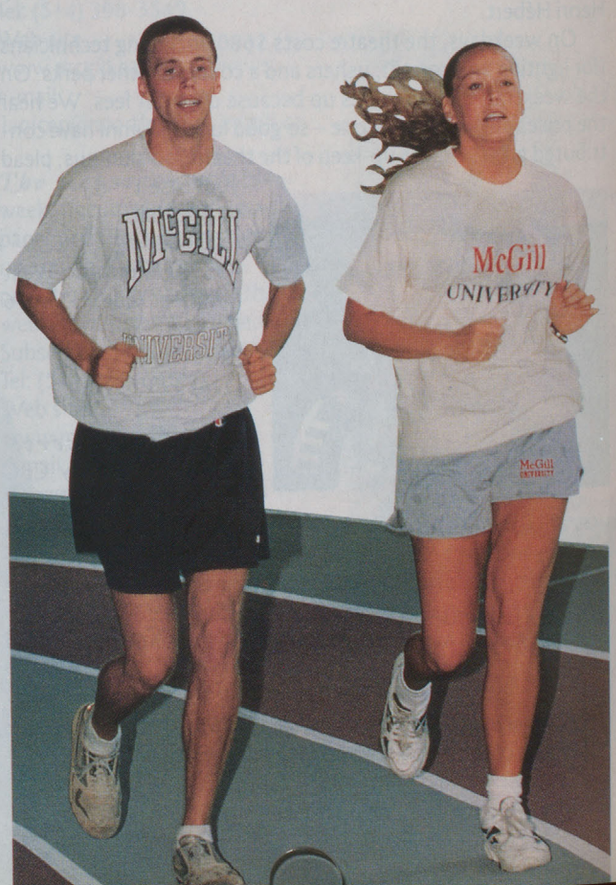
Ever notice how hard it is to get a parking space downtown? Think McGill. There are 1,264 parking spots on the downtown campus. The fees are $3 for one hour, $5 for two hours, $7 for 3 hours, and $10 for a day pass. After 4 pm, the fee is $5 (you must move your car by 9 am). A monthly parking pass for alumni is $94. For retired employees still affiliated with McGill, and those who are physically, mentally or medically challenged, the cost is the equivalent of a monthly metro pass (now $45 per month). Contact (514) 398-4557.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Work up a Sweat!

With recent construction, McGill has even more to offer the sports enthusiast. Two pools, tennis courts, indoor and outdoor running tracks, squash courts, badminton courts, basketball courts, indoor soccer fields – we've got it all.

During the year the rates for alumni are $140/4 months, $251/8 months or $352/year. Call for special summer fees. During summer there are no additional fees for squash and tennis courts, but during the semester, there are small fees ($4 or less). For those who are centred downtown, a swim membership to the Weston Pool is available at $122 for September to May and $95 per semester. Swim now: the pool will be demolished for the new Music building.
Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Gymnasium
475 Pine Avenue West, Montreal, Que. H2W 1S4.
Contact: Rob Watt, (514) 398-7000



Have a Cavity Filled!

McGill's McCall Dental Clinic offers service to the public at half the price of the Quebec fee guide. Under the direction of McGill dentistry professors, senior students perform routine dental procedures and patients have access to specialists. The first appointment is for screening only, so things move a little more slowly than with a regular dentist. In the summer, the clinic also runs an excellent summer program that provides free dental services for the physically, mentally and medically challenged.

McCall Dental Clinic
Clinic Director: Dr. Dwayne Rahal
Montreal General Hospital
1650 Cedar Avenue, Third Floor, Montreal, Que. H3G 1A4
(514) 934-8021
Summer clinic for the handicapped (514) 932-1832

Get Fixed Up!

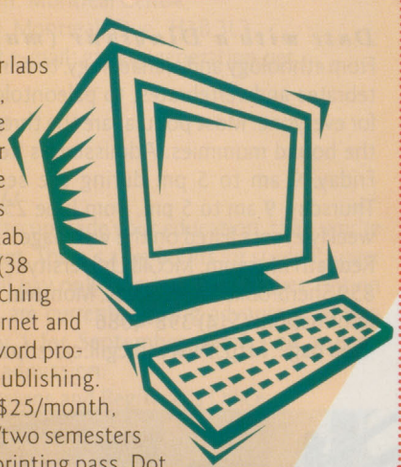
The sports medicine clinic is led by Lynn Bookalam, the chief therapist for the Canadian teams at the Albertville Olympic Games and Commonwealth Games. What she does for Canada's national precision figure-skating team, she can do for you.

The doctor's clinic is covered by Canadian medicare. Also on staff are physiotherapists, sports psychologists, nutritionists, acupuncturists and physiotherapists. Alumni pay $45 for the first visit, $37 for a follow up. Fees must be paid up front.

Sports Medicine Clinic
Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Gymnasium, Room 317
475 Pine Avenue West, Montreal, Que. H2W 1S4
Contact: Debby Morse (514) 398-7007

COMPUTER CONNECTIONS

Use a Computer!



There are many computer labs throughout the campus, but your best bet is the Faculty of Arts computer centre located in the Leacock Building. It has three labs: a MacIntosh lab (15 Macs), the main lab (38 PCs and Macs) and a teaching lab. Services include Internet and McGill network access, word processing, and desktop publishing.

Costs are $10/day, $25/month, $75/one semester, $125/two semesters and $5 for a 30-minute printing pass. Dot matrix printing is free. Laser printing is 15 cents per page; colour printing is $2/page.

Hours vary with demand but generally are: 9 am to 9 pm on weekdays. Open on Saturday and Sunday depending on demand. Summer hours are Monday to Friday, 10 am to 6 pm, Thursday, 10 am to 10 pm, closed on weekends.

Computing Lab, Faculty of Arts
Leacock Building, Rooms 110, 112, 116
(514) 398-6031

Get Wired!

After graduation, McGill alumni can still have unlimited Internet access for $24.95 per month or $19.95 if you take the long distance plan, too. Simply call the number listed below and state that you're a McGill alumnus to receive the special rate.

ACC TelEnterprises Ltd. Internet
Tel: 1-888-274-7919
Alumni Association Contact:
Cynthia Somma (514) 398-1578

CAREER

Get a Job!

You can use McGill's Career and Placement Service for one year after graduation. Services include career counselling, interviewing techniques and resume writing. There is a library of companies and employers and internships. Job postings are available at the office and on the web:
www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/caps
CAPS (Career and Placement Service)
Powell Student Services Building
3637 Peel, Room 308, Montreal, Que. H3A 1X1
(514) 398-3304

Hire a Student!

If you're a potential employer looking for hard-working, intelligent and innovative students, you can recruit from McGill. Simply send the job description by e-mail to CAPS. Feel free to call and talk to a counsellor about the type of student you need. As well, CAPS is starting a speaker's series and is looking for alumni to speak to current McGill students about their professions.

CAPS (Career and Placement Service)
Powell Student Services Building
3637 Peel, Room 308, Montreal, Que. H3A 1X1
General number: (514) 398-3304
Internet: www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/caps
E-mail: careers@stuserv.lan.mcgill.ca

Management Career Centre: Please call 398-4070 (for commerce and MBA grads)

Engineering Career Centre: 398-7257

Network Like Crazy

With the help of hundreds of volunteers, The McGill Alumni Association runs a branch program worldwide. For information check out the website at www.mcgill.ca/alumni or call Trish Duff, BA'88, at (514) 398-3008 or consult the events section of the *McGill News*.

HOUSING

Stay Overnight!

You can bunk in at McGill between May 15 and August 15 when residence rooms are available to all. The Royal Victoria College is the best-located residence, because it's right downtown. Major leg action is needed to climb up Mount Royal for McConnell, Molson, Gardner, and Douglas residences. (Parking is available.) Single rooms are the norm. You have to share a bathroom and kitchenette with others on the same floor, but the rooms are quite comfortable. Linens and towels are provided.

The 1997 rates for single rooms were $29/one night, $160/one week, $385/one month. The Solin Hall prices are $25

for one night and $300 for one month. There is also space at Laird Hall at the Macdonald Campus. It's super cheap at $15/night or $60 per week. (30-minute drive from downtown.)

McGill Downtown Residences
(514) 398-6367 / (514) 398-8299
e-mail: reserve@residences.lan.mcgill.ca
web site: http://www.residences.mcgill.ca

Laird Hall: Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue
Contact: 398-7716

Rent Your Apartment!
McGill students are always on the lookout for a good apartment to rent or room to share. If you happen to be a landlord, or have an apartment that you would like to share, you can make use of Off-Campus Housing. There is no charge for listing the space, but they do ask that you contact them every 30 days to give them an update.
Off-Campus Housing
Powell Student Services Building, Room 206
Contact: Pauline Nesbitt (514) 398-6010

Lakeside at Mac
The Macdonald Faculty Club has three lakeside bedrooms ranging from 45$ to $80 per night. Contact: Pierre Charette at (514) 398-7994.

Bask in Barbados
Pity the University of Toronto. When Commander Bellairs wrote offering his Barbados residence to the University, they didn't take him seriously. McGill did. Now alumni can book rooms at the beachside research institute. Warning: rooms are very basic dormitory style – unless you nab a room at Bellair's former house on the beach. Prices range from US$395 per week to US$17 per night.
Fax: (809) 422-0612
Phone: (809) 4222087 /
(809) 422-2833 / 809) 422-2034
E-mail : bellairs@unbeach.net

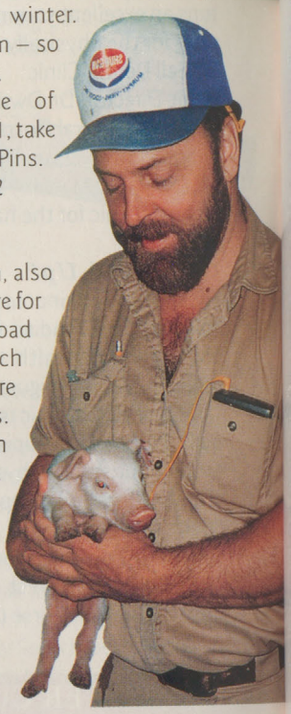
NATURE

Take a Walk on the Wild Side!
It's amazing how many people attend McGill and don't visit the other campus. Situated at Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, "Mac" is beautiful and picturesque, and it houses the disciplines of agriculture, nutrition and animal science. Knowing that "downtownies" are very metro-centred," the directions on how to get to each of these places of interest are included. Contact Nicole Proulx (514) 398-7709

Revel in the Wild!
The Morgan Arboretum is a botanical garden with wild trees and flowers. It's open seven days a week, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and is quite inexpensive considering the breathtaking vistas. Admission prices are: $4 for adults, $2 for seniors / children and $10 for family.

Aside from taking in the sights and perfumes of the arboretum, at certain times there are activities and treats. In March, maple syrup on snow is served up. In early October they have the student staples: beer and food. If you think that sub-zero temperatures are a deterrent, then have some of the coffee in the shop sent up there on weekends during the winter. Moving about also helps keep you warm – so enjoy the cross-country skiing they offer.

Morgan Arboretum. North side of Macdonald Campus. Take 40 west, exit 41, take Chemin Ste. Marie to 150 Chemin Des Pins.
Contact: Anne Godbout (514) 398-7812



Cattle Call!
Get a sight of the cattle at the Dairy Barn, also known as the "R. Howard Webster Centre for Dairy and Beef Cattle Teaching." Too bad about the pigs. The Swine Research Complex is out of bounds. Seems pigs are susceptible to diseases from humans. Some 10,000 elementary school children visit the farm annually with school tours. Anyone is free to drop by for a visit to see the animals. Open from Monday to Friday, 9 to 4 pm, weekends, from 1 pm to 3 pm
Macdonald Campus, 2111 Lakeshore Road, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue H9X 3V9
Contact: Nancy Lavigne at
(514) 398-7701

Date with a Dinosaur (main campus)
From ethnology and archaeology, to minerals and gems, to invertebrates and vertebrates, to paleontology – there's something for everyone. Most popular are the three dinosaur skeletons and the bound mummies. Admission is free. Hours are Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm during the semester, and Monday to Thursday, 9 am to 5 pm, from June 25 to August 31. There are weekly events listed on the web page.
Redpath Museum, McGill University
859 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Que. H3A 2K6
Information: (514) 398-4086
Web page: http://www.mcgill.ca/redpath

Get Bugged!

And you thought that the Redpath Museum on the downtown campus was the only one we had. This one focuses on our six-legged friends – insects. The Lyman houses three million specimens, representing more than 40,000 species. It is the second largest collection in Canada and it's ours!

Drop by anytime from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm. Guided tours are offered, but there must be a minimum of 15 people ($2.50 per person). During the summer, this museum is a bit more activity-oriented. Crickets have even been cooked for culinary pleasure.

Lyman Entomological Museum and Research, located downstairs in the Centennial Centre, Macdonald Campus.
For guided tours: Curator George Hsiung (514) 398-7914

See Stars!

Do people call you a "star-gazer"? Well, if you want to be in the company of people who do exactly that, check out the Observatory located behind the football bleachers near the hockey arena. The building belongs to McGill, but has been used by the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada since 1954. There are more than 100 members, mostly amateurs, who are dedicated to enjoying the heavens.

The Society holds five meetings a month, has bi-monthly lectures, a library, and a 14-inch Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope. How can you take part in all of this? Just call up the website and the membership forms are right there. Membership is $56 or $35 for those between 16 and 21.

Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, Forbes Field
(behind Molson Stadium), Montreal Centre,
P.O. Box 1752, Station B, Montreal, Que. H3B 3L3
Contact: Gary Angers at e-mail: gang@generation.net

EDUCATION

Go back to School!

If you're older and want to upgrade your education, then you're known as a special student. There's a big bonus for students over 65 years for age. You will pay only one-half the Quebec tuition fee. (Some 13 students are currently taking advantage of this benefit.) Apply by July 1 for September admission and by November 1 for January admission.

Special Students, Admissions and Registrar's Office
James Administration Building,
845 Sherbrooke Street West,
Montreal, Que. H3A 2T5
Admissions: (514) 398-3910
e-mail: admissions@aro.lan.mcgill.ca

Learn French!

You may not think that an English-language university is the best place to learn French. But think again. McGill's intensive and part-time programs are very strong. There is an intensive program, French for Professionals and a popular six-level course leading to a Certificate of Proficiency.

This prepares people for life in Montreal . . . or Casablanca.
Continuing Education, 770 Sherbrooke Street West, Room 322.
Contact: Shirley Charron, (514) 398-6158

Keep on Learning!

The McGill Institute for Learning in Retirement is a unique program where seniors can pick and choose from courses including creative writing, literature, poetry, politics, and philosophy. Moderators organize course content, but the students carry responsibility for class interaction, both written and verbal.

The cost is $55 for two 10-week courses. Each course is offered weekly for two hours. As a fringe benefit, students have McGill library privileges. There are no prerequisites, and no grades, no exams – only the pleasure of participation.

The Institute is not all business; many social activities are offered. The participants will tell you that the McGill Institute for Learning in Retirement is the best bargain in town.

McGill Institute for Learning in Retirement, (514) 398-8234
550 Sherbrooke Street West, Suite 210, Montreal, Que. H3A 1B9

KIDS

The Macdonald campus mini-farm (or petting zoo) is a special summer treat open from May to August. The mini-farm is a great excursion for children, allowing them to see and pet farm animals: chicken, ducks, turkeys, pigs, even llamas. Guided school tours are offered at $3 per child – the supervisor gets in for free. Book early. Individual adults and families can drop by for free. Open from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 4:30 pm; weekends from 1 to 3 pm. Milking time is at 1 pm everyday.

2111 Lakeshore Road, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue H9X 3V9
Directions: Take Hwy 40, exit 41, Chemin Ste. Marie, turn right at first stop sign, left at second stop sign, entrance is on the right. Contact: Nancy Lavigne (514) 398-7701

Send Your Kid to Camp!

If you think that being able to play a musical instrument is great and you want to give a child you know the opportunity to do so in a fun environment, check out this camp. Founded in 1996 by young pianist Clément Joubert, BMus'96, the bilingual camp provides instruction in choral singing, dance, percussion and opera for students of all levels of musical experience. The camp is held at the Macdonald campus with a bus service from downtown. The cost is $250, plus a $25 registration fee and runs from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm on Monday to Friday. The camp is presently open to children aged 7 to 15, but there may be a session for 4-to-6 year olds next year. McGill Conservatory of Music Day Camp, Macdonald Campus. Contact: Clément Joubert (514) 527-CAMP. Session 1: June 29 to July 10, 1998. Session 2: July 27 to August 7, 1998

McGill Sports Camp

One of the most popular camps in the city is the McGill Sports Camp for 5-to-14 year olds. They get to participate in every sport McGill has to offer under the guidance of McGill students and professional instructors. The camp runs for 8 weeks from June to August and last year's fee was $140 per week. Call (514) 398-7000.

February 8-24, 1998
AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

February 21-28, 1998
YACHTSMAN'S CARIBBEAN

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1998 ALUMNI COLLEGE IN TUSCANY

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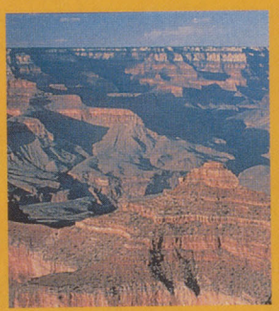
McGill Alumni Association
Donna Henchey
3605 de la Montagne
Montreal, QC
H3G 2M1
(514) 398-8961
or call toll free
1-800-567-5175
E-mail: donnah@martlet1.lan.mcgill.ca

McGill ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



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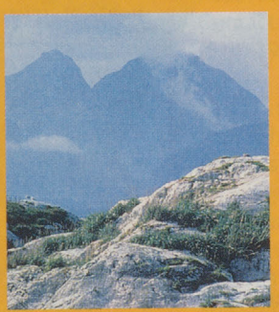

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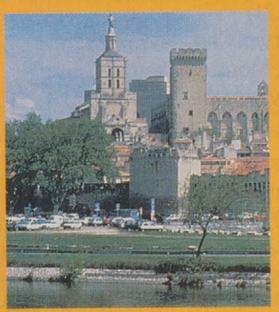

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MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

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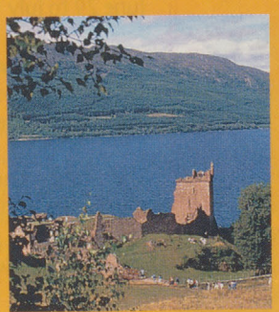
JOURNEY OF THE CZARS



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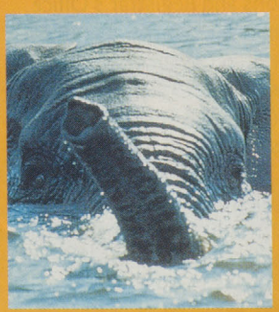

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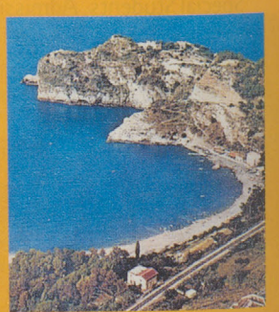

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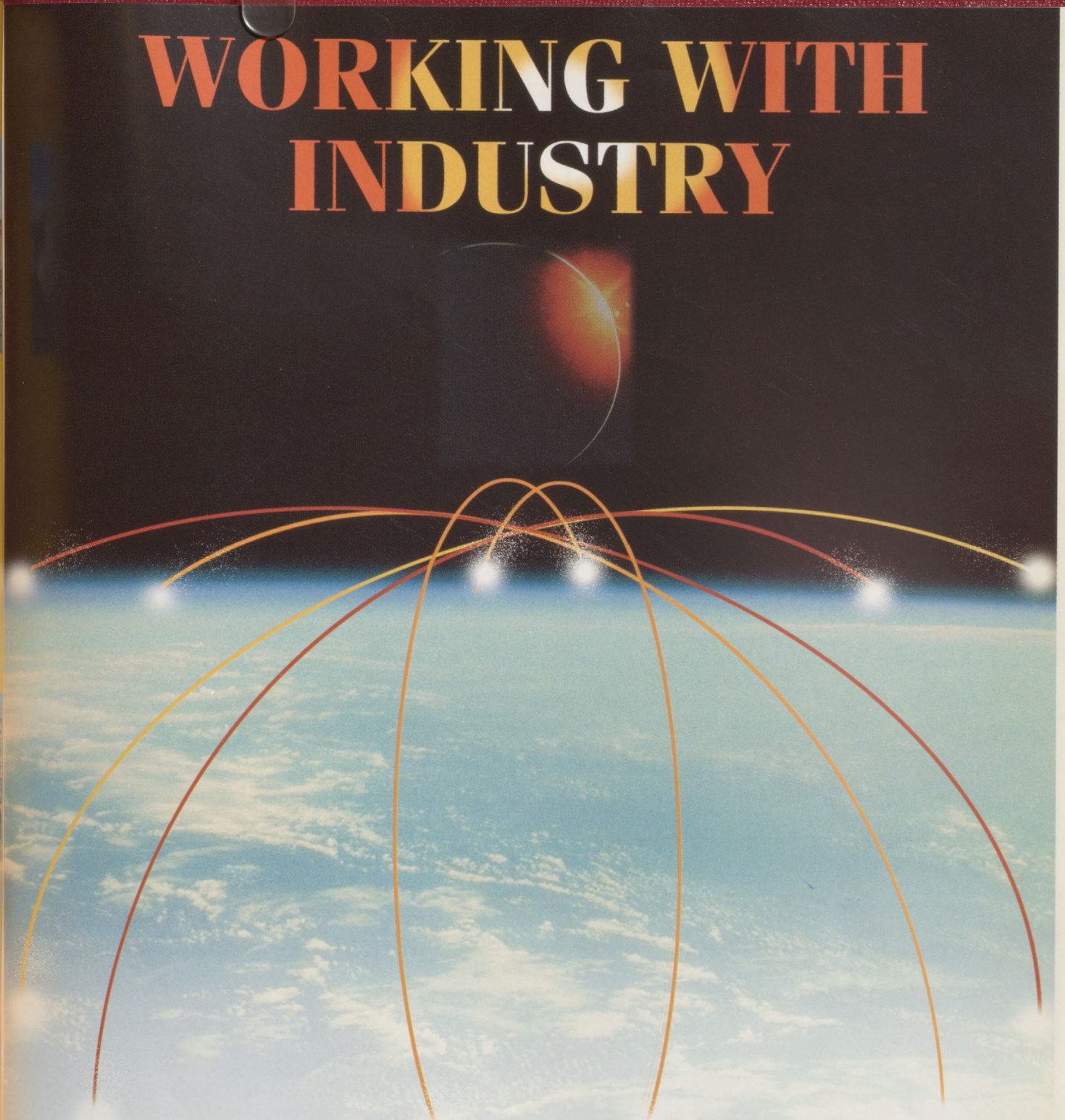
WORKING WITH INDUSTRY



McGill
MANAGEMENT

A Word from the Dean

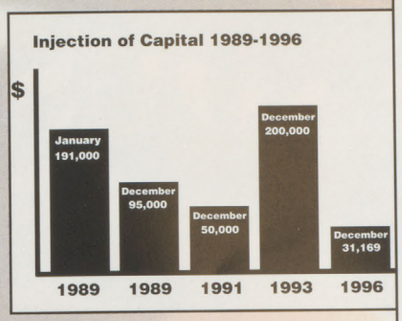
"In our constant bid to create a learning environment that truly reflects the needs of both our sudents and Canadian business today, we have focused our attentions over the past several years on developing programs that are ***innovative*** *in nature,* ***international*** *in scope and* ***industry-driven*** *in design and practice.*

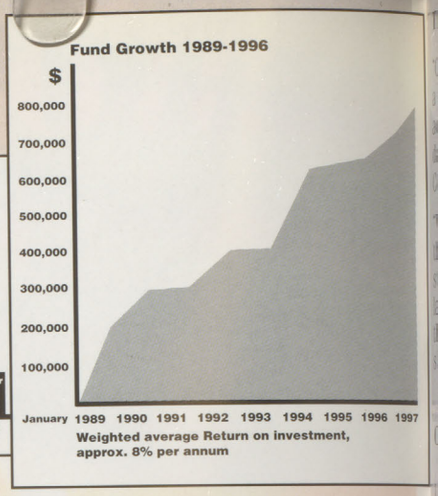
"We believe that by working in tandem with Canadian industry and complementing theory with real-world business experiences, we not only provide our students with a stronger education, but have, in turn, more to offer industry.

"This special insert is devoted to some of the many exciting industry-driven initiatives that have cemented our reputation as a trend-setter in business education and have set McGill Management — and our students — apart from other business schools in Canada and abroad.

"If you would like to learn more about any of the initiatives outlined in these pages, I invite you to contact the appropriate individual directly. If I can be of any service, please don't hesitate to contact me personally."

Wallace B. Crowston
Dean of McGill's Faculty of Management
(514) 398-4001
E-mail: crowston@management.mcgill.ca





Sponsorship and the Future

Made possible through the generosity of individual and corporate sponsors, the total program portfolio now stands at approximately $900,000. To date, $567,000 has been contributed by sponsors; the growth component has come at the hands of our students.

Demand for the course is overwhelming. Currently, only 40 students can participate each year, although the waiting list stands at over 100. In the future, the Faculty hopes to double the number of students able to participate by raising the program's private sector funding to $2 million.

Plans are also currently under way to incorporate the Canadian Securities Course into the curriculum, giving students interested in the field of investments yet another distinct career advantage.

For information or to learn more about making a contribution, please contact Charlotte Cloutier at (514) 398-4008, or E-mail: cloutier@management.mcgill.ca

Working with Industry...

...To provide real-world training

Applied Investments Program

"This course offers students a great opportunity to apply the financial theories they learn in other classes. They have guidelines to work under, but learn independently by doing."

Terry Cripotos, Investment Advisor, Nesbitt Burns and guest speaker

In an effort to provide that much needed link between financial market theory and practical investment experience, McGill pioneered its Applied Investments Program in 1988, then the first program of its kind in Canada.

Every year since then, eight to ten groups of students have each been given the opportunity to manage $100,000 in funds in the real investment world. Each team, comprised of four to five BCom and MBA students, designs an investment strategy to meet the objectives of its fictitious "client". Then, in consultation with professional brokers participating in the program, the teams begin the very real process of managing their portfolios — researching, analyzing and ultimately, buying and selling stocks and securities on behalf of their client.

Working with Industry...

...To apply knowledge

Centre for Advanced Consumer Research

"Working with a group such as McGill's Consumer Research Centre gives us the opportunity to explore developmental marketing issues that we are normally unable to pursue in the daily management process. By collaborating on objectives, we can learn much from these advanced models for our future applications."

Delaine Hampton, Manager Market Research, Procter & Gamble Canada

Recognizing that sales-driven data and information can offer strategic and competitive advantages to businesses, McGill Management recently established its Centre for Advanced Consumer Research, backed by funding from **Procter & Gamble** and Ms. Heather Reisman, President and CEO of **Now! Foods**.

Theory in Practice

"Our goal is to stimulate scholarly research to promote and enhance a better understanding and targeting of the customer. By taking advantage of database marketing tools, we can analyze the large data sets now available through today's digital technology," says Centre Director Emine Sarigollu.

"We extract the meaningful customer information, and then use this knowledge to assess the performance of existing business strategies and to formulate new ones. Our expertise in analyzing large data sets can directly benefit industry partners by helping them transform their database into tangible business decisions," she explains.

Cutting-edge Research

Undertaking database research in partnership with the new Centre offers industry a distinct advantage that traditional market research firms cannot yet provide, believes Professor Subir Bandyopadhyay, who is currently working on a series of image and satisfaction studies for Procter & Gamble.

"Many companies realize that scanner panel data (the information derived from point-of-sale technology) offers valuable insight for sales and marketing purposes. Most companies, however, don't have the internal resources or expertise to analyze these very large databases, nor are traditional market research firms usually equipped to perform this type of quantitative analysis," he explains. "Our specific expertise lies in taking large masses of a company's sales data, analyzing it within the context of predetermined models, and giving it back to the company in a managerially relevant form."

Professor Sarigollu concurs. "We are in an advantageous position in that we can draw on skills and expertise available only through a university. We plan to bring together professors and students from a variety of disciplines, for example, computer science, statistics and psychology, to assist in the research."

The Faculty is extremely enthusiastic about the future of the Centre, and expects to accept a number of new projects in the upcoming year.

If you believe your company might benefit from advanced database research, please contact Emine Sarigollu at (514) 398-4662, or E-mail: sarigoll@management.mcgill.ca

McGill Business Consulting Group

Now in its 14th year of operation, the McGill Business Consulting Group (MBCG) continues to be a valuable business resource to Canadian companies of all sizes.

Comprised of a team of six MBA students, the MBCG provides cost-effective consulting services to businesses in a variety of fields. Projects range from market research to financial forecasting to small business planning to strategic competitive analysis undertaken on behalf of clients such as **Asea Brown Boveri, BCE, Bombardier, Hydro Quebec and Schering Canada.**

To learn more about how the MBCG can assist your company, please contact our consultants at (514) 398-5846, or E-mail: mbcg@management.mcgill.ca

Working with Industry...

...To develop business opportunities abroad

Centre for International Management Studies

"One of the highest priorities for the Chinese banking industry is to improve its managerial training in overseas financial markets. By working with McGill, not only has Royal Bank been able to help satisfy this need, we have had the opportunity to meet many future leaders of the Chinese banking industry."

Gerald Lipman, Vice President and
Country Manager for China, Royal Bank of Canada

Since 1989, McGill Management has been actively involved in business development activities throughout the world through its Centre for International Management Studies (CIMS). In recent years, CIMS has undertaken a variety of projects worldwide in partnership with Canadian business aimed at establishing strong working relationships with foreign industry and raising the profile of Canadian companies overseas.

Financial Services in China

Its most recent venture — the Canada-China Financial Services Development Project — is a four-year project undertaken in conjunction with **Royal Bank of Canada** and **Great-West Life**. Working closely with the Graduate School of the People's Bank of China CIMS and its Canadian partners have worked diligently to build the local training capability for senior Chinese executives in this key sector.

"It's a true partnership," says Sylvain St-Amand, Executive Director for CMS. "Senior executives from Royal Bank and Great-West Life teach executive training programs and industry workshops on-site in China along with our Faculty members, and sponsor in-Canada internship opportunities for Chinese graduates. In doing so, they not only enrich the Chinese educational infrastructure, they open up new business opportunities for Canadian companies."

A Worldwide Mandate

Another project launched in 1996 — a two-year initiative aimed at personnel development within Kazakstan's oil and gas, and mining industries — similarly promises to act as an important springboard to new ventures for McGill within Central Asia.

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The Complex Face

A McGill study has revealed a surprising portrait of blacks in Canada. They are as educated as the Canadian population in general but poorer and less upwardly mobile.

by George Elliott Clarke

A FEW SUMMERS AGO, VIA RAIL OFFERED AN ENTICING 50 PERCENT FARE REDUCTION FOR FOREIGN VISITORS TO Canada, but did not advertise the bargain, suspecting that it would anger Canadians whose taxes subsidize the corporation. I learned about the scheme while purchasing a ticket in Kingston, Ontario. The agent asked, stealthily, for my passport. I was puzzled. "What do you mean, my passport?" She then advised me about the discount for foreigners, specifying that my "American accent" marked me as an eligible passenger. I informed the agent that (as the *très* white beer commercial says), "I AM CANADIAN." But it's never been simple to be a black in Canada.

My bloodlines run deep in this country. My father's father was West Indian – but his mother's father came to Nova Scotia from Virginia in 1898. My mother's ancestors – slaves liberated by British forces during the War of 1812 – voyaged to Nova Scotia, from Chesapeake Bay, in 1813. I was born, raised, and educated in Nova Scotia. I went to Expo '67, I sang along with Ian and Sylvia and the Great Speckled Bird, I wanted Robert Stanfield to win in '72. Either I am Canadian, or the word means nothing.

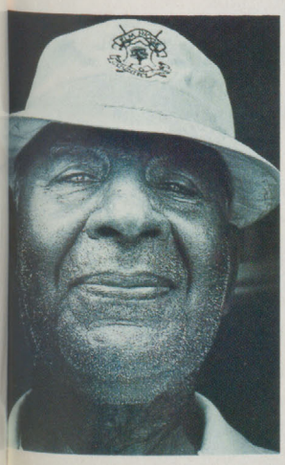
# of Black Canada

Then again, the VIA Rail incident was not about accent. Because my skin distinguishes me from most Canadians, most assume that I hail from "somewhere else." When someone asks what island I'm from, I reply: "Cape Breton." Moreover, Canadians are abysmally ignorant about African-Canadian history. For instance, a Canadian Civil Liberties Association poll, conducted in 1995, found that 83 percent of Canadians did not know that slavery had been practiced in pre-Confederation Canada.

To be black in Canada, then, is an existential experience. A constant interrogation of our belonging is inculcated within us. It is not just the "double consciousness" that the great African-American intellectual W.E.B. Du Bois (pronounced "Do Boyce" in the U.S.) posited for Black Americans, but a "poly-consciousness." For as our blackness ranges from ivory to indigo hues, our heritages, ethnic allegiances, religions, and languages are also varied. In fact, African Canada, in its gorgeous, explicit diversity, is a microcosm of Canada.

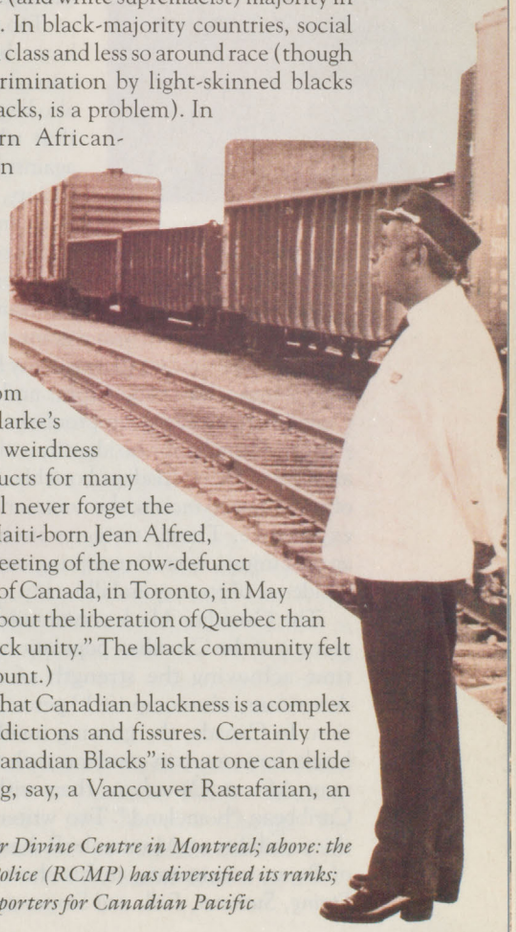
A McGill study published this year provides the most current demographic information about Canada's black community and provides some surprising insights. Although I prefer the terms African-Canadian or Africadian – it captures the experiences of those from the United States, Africa, and Caribbean – the authors sought to understand the "black experience" and how blacks fare in Canadian society. *Diversity, Mobility & Change: The Dynamics of Black Communities in Canada* was written by McGill Professor of Social Work James Torczyner along with colleagues Wally Boxhill, Crystal Mulder and Carl James.

The report is a response to one consequence of African-Canadian diversity: the fact that almost half of us do not identify ourselves as "black" on Canadian census documents. Indeed, 43 percent of African-heritage respondents to the 1991 census listed themselves as French or British, or as Barbadian, Ethiopian, Ghanaian, Haitian, Somali, Jamaican, Trinidadian / Tobagonian, etc., leading to a serious undercounting of African-heritage Canadians. Wally Boxhill, a former Statistics Canada employee, re-cast the numbers to include the above groups as Black Canadians. This means that, as of 1991, there were 504, 290 blacks in Canada, not 366,625 as formerly counted.



These figures bear consequences, but before I discuss them, I want to tease out an issue that seems to have eluded the study's compilers, namely, the reason for the failure of so many African-Canadians to call themselves "black." As Boxhill tells us in a fine essay, "about half the respondents born in Haiti who were, in all likelihood, black reported that they were French. A similarly high proportion of persons born in Jamaica reported that they were British." These self-identifications are neither surprising nor disturbing, if we understand that anti-Africanism, the social construct that turns human beings into "black" and "white" (in the U.S. and Canada), is not a potent source for identity in Haiti or Jamaica, the two countries which have contributed the greatest numbers of African-heritage immigrants to Canada in the past 30 years. (Torczyner tells us that 44.2 percent of all black persons in Canada immigrated in the past 20 years.)

As Quebec writer Dany Laferrière's 1985 satire, *Comment faire l'amour avec un Nègre sans se fatiguer* (How to Make Love to a Negro Without Getting Tired), takes uproarious pains to point out, it is only on the North American mainland that a Haitian becomes "black," or is expected to subscribe, instantly, to the white-black angst that plagues the white (and white supremacist) majority in the U.S. and Canada. In black-majority countries, social divisions occur around class and less so around race (though "colourism," that is, discrimination by light-skinned blacks against darker-skinned blacks, is a problem). In 1973, the Barbados-born African-Canadian writer Austin Clarke described the "West Indian writer" as "a man from a society ostensibly free of the worst pathologies of racialism, a man from a society into which black nationalism had to be imported from American Blacks...." Clarke's comment underlines the weirdness of white-vs.-black constructs for many Caribbean emigrés. (I will never forget the chaos that ensued when Haiti-born Jean Alfred, a péquiste MNA, told a meeting of the now-defunct National Black Coalition of Canada, in Toronto, in May 1979, that he cared more about the liberation of Quebec than he did about "national black unity." The black community felt its needs should be paramount.)



What all this means is that Canadian blackness is a complex identity, rich with contradictions and fissures. Certainly the danger in talking about "Canadian Blacks" is that one can elide the real differences among, say, a Vancouver Rastafarian, an

Left: Bob Sasso ran the Father Divine Centre in Montreal; above: the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) has diversified its ranks; and right: many blacks were porters for Canadian Pacific

Education

Blacks are not on the educational fringe. More Black Canadians complete high school than the average Canadian (33.7 percent compared to 38.5 percent), and they are as likely to finish university as the average Canadian (one in five are in university or have completed a bachelor's degree). There are regional disparities however. Halifax had the lowest rate of blacks who had not completed high school, and the highest rates of university attendance. Montreal's black population is the worst educated, with the highest high school drop-out rate and the lowest levels of university attendance.

Anou Sénégalaise, and a "Scotian" African Baptist. The Torzyner study skirts this problem but only barely. Torczyner recognizes, in his informative tex, that there are "unique regonal agendas for the various Canadian black communities." Stil, he tends to take the immigrait black experience, especially in Ontario and Quebec (where 38.5% of all "Blacks" live), as the nom, even arguing that "black immigration" will "determine sorething of the collective identity of black persons in Canada." Yet the centuries-old African-heritage populations in the Maritimes, Quebec and south-western Ontario are jealously insisting upon recovering and rejoicing in their histories. Torczyner does stae that "in Halifax, with its long hisory of Black settlement, more than nine out of ten persons in the black communities were born in Canada, and the 'Caribbean influene' is comparatively low." But this knowledge does not pervade the study.

Too, once black immigrants have been settled for a long enough period in Canada, they also begin to confront the barriers that white supremacism erects against black achievement in this society, barriers that indigenous African-Canadians understand intimately. A Trinidad-born, back scholar-friend of mind told me that in celebrating a recent success of his with several white Canadian colleagues, one of them said, after a few drinks, "Well, David, you may have won a grant, but I'm still a white man."

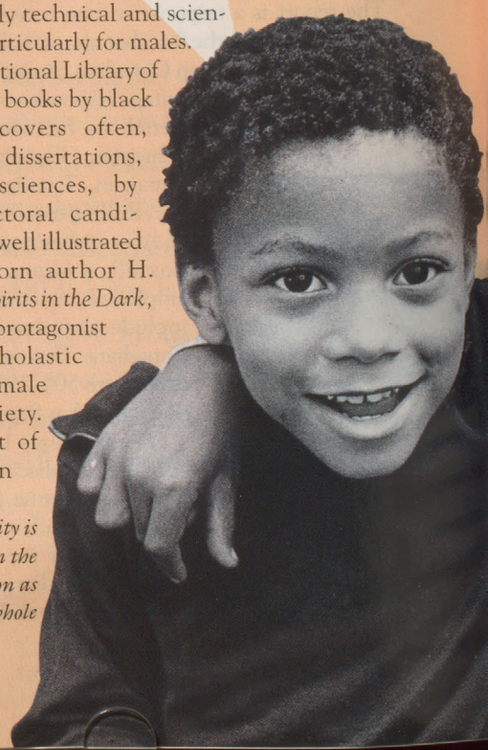
How does the fact that so many blacks identify themselves with where they came from and not their colour, affect Canada? I foresee a rapprochement in which immigrant African-Canadians who identify with their homeland establish an affinity with Canadian-born blacks and exchange strategies of resistance to racism, the common denominator of the black experience. These strategies include both arguing loudly against injustices and attempting some organizing to reduce the incidence of poverty and illiteracy.

The Canadian black community, accounting for only two percent of the Canadian population, will have a more difficult time achieving the strength of solidarity than African-Americans, who comprise 13 percent of the American population. In Canada, the growing numbers of second-generation blacks have more in common with the experiences of indigenous African-Canadians than with an increasingly remote Caribbean "homeland." Two writers who wonderfully evoke this sensibility are Montrealer Robert Edison Sandiford, the son of Bajan immigrants, in his short story collection *Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall, and Stories* and Calgary's Suzette Mayr, the daughter of German and Caribbean immigrants, in her novel *Moon Honey* in which the protagonist changes from white to brown.

Canada's blacks are primarily an urban people living in Montreal and Toronto. Boxhill reports that some 240,940 blacks live in Toronto, representing 47.8 percent of the African-Canadian population; another 101,890 blacks live in Montreal, accounting for another 20.1 percent of the total. Although African-Canadians are largely urban people, rural enclaves still exist in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, south-western Ontario, and in Alberta and Saskatchewan. Halifax and Vancouver (with its 3.1 percent of the African-Canadian population, that is, 15, 385 souls) are crucial centres in their own right.

Undeniably, the concentration of blacks in Canada's two largest cities grants these populations some political and economic clout. Not unexpectedly, then, Ontario has sent blacks, beginning with Lincoln Alexander, to the House of Commons in every election since 1968; in contrast, the first Black Nova Scotian (or Africadian, to use my preferred term) to enter Parliament, Gordon Earle, was elected only this past spring in Halifax, a city containing just 2.1 percent of the African-Canadian population (that is, 10,560 souls). Though it was possible to elect a black, Leonard Braithwaite, to the Ontario legislature in 1963, the feat could not be accomplished in the Nova Scotia legislature until 1993, when Wayne Adams won the special riding of Preston (the largest all-black community in Canada). As well as illustrating diversity, Torczyner's review of the census data tells us much about mobility and adds to our knowledge of the social circumstances of African- Canadians. His statistics offer a picture of relative black success, despite the community's well-founded complaints of job, school and housing discrimination as well as its justified charges of police brutality against black males.

However, black men fare better educationally and economically in Canada than they do in the United States. Torczyner finds that "Black men have marginally higher levels of educational attainment than do all men, all women, or black women in Canada." The explanation for this fact is, I wager, the premium that Caribbean and African governments place upon education, especially technical and scientific instruction, particularly for males. In searching the National Library of Canada for literary books by black authors, one discovers often, instead, droves of dissertations, mainly in the sciences, by African-born doctoral candidates. The point is well illustrated by St. Vincent-born author H. Nigel Thomas in *Spirits in the Dark*, in which the male protagonist is groomed for scholastic achievement by male elders in his society. Some 3.1 percent of African-Canadian



The black community is younger than the Canadian population as a whole

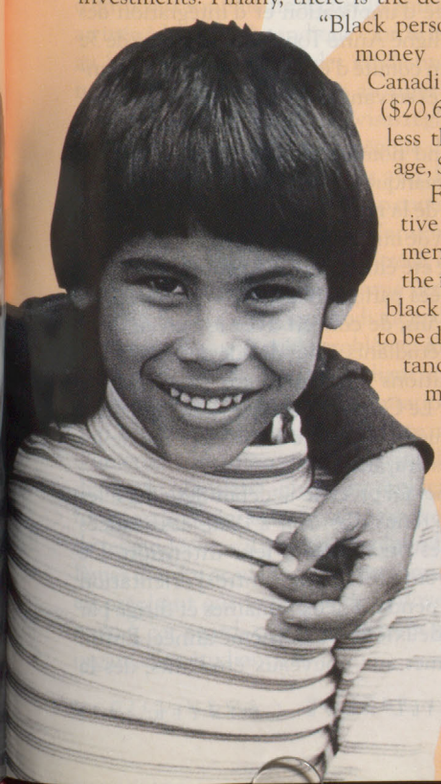
men have master's degrees – more than the Canadian population as a whole.

Another explanation lies in Canadian immigration policy, which at first admitted only Carib-bean women as dome-stics, and later admitted black men, but with a bias for professionals. (Torczyner's discovery that there are 20,000 more black women than men in Canada is attributable to federal immigration rules. This also explains, in part, the higher number of female-led, single-parent households among African-Canadians than among Canadians as a whole.)

Furthermore, some Africans who entered Canada as students chose to remain here after they had completed their education. Too, many of the Haitians who fled the Duvalier dictatorships in the 1960s and 1970s represented their nation's intelligentsia. When Torczyner states that "Black persons in Montreal had the highest rates of educational attainment when compared to Toronto and Halifax," he may be referring to that fact. Moreover, the Africans who fled apartheid in South Africa, civil wars in Somalia and Ethiopia, and dictatorships in Uganda, Nigeria and elsewhere tended to be well-educated members of their nations. Canada has simply benefited – quite deliberately – from an epochal brain drain. Hence, in Canada one in five African-Canadians is enrolled in university or has a bachelor's degree – which, at 20 percent, is on par with the Canadian population as a whole.

When one examines employment opportunities, a strange paradox emerges. Blacks are as well educated as the average Canadian but suffer higher unemployment (15 percent compared to the Canadian average of 10 percent in 1991). Even university education isn't a guarantee of mobility. One in six black persons with a university degree was poor in 1991. While seven percent of all Canadians with bachelor's degrees were poor, the statistic for blacks is 17 percent – the same as Canadians without a university degree. One reason for these statistics must be systemic racism. The study shows that African-Canadians are nearly absent from higher-paying jobs and senior management positions.

Blacks are less likely to be self-employed or supported by investments. Finally, there is the depressing summation that "Black persons in Canada earn less money on average than the Canadian population as a whole" ($20,617 per year or 15 percent less than the Canadian average, $24,001.)



Further, despite the positive educational and employment indicators, and despite the fact that "members of the black community are less likely to be dependent on public assistance through transfer payments for their support" than is the population as a whole (10.6 percent compared to 11.4 percent), almost a third of all African-Canadians, some 31.5 percent of the population, lived below the Canadian poverty line in 1991, including 40 percent of all African-Canadian children. These rates are appalling. They cry out for remedial action from all levels of government and religious institutions, but also from the African-Canadian communities themselves. Torczyner's call, in his conclusion, for "community organizing strategies to promote access to entitlements," to ensure that eligible families receive mandated public supports, is one place to start. Also valuable is Torczyner's suggestion that African-Canadians need to develop a "national black consensus." This is easier said than done in a country that has difficulty finding a consensus on anything. Nevertheless, his promotion of "a parliament of Black communities in Canada' is intriguing, to say the least.

Diversity, Mobility & Change begins to answer, for Canada, a challenge that Du Bois issued to American sociologists in 1898 to study the "Negro problems." His rhetoric (the language of the day) is problematic, but his insight is valid. We can only truly weld together an African-Canadian people by studying intensively our conditions, from coast to coast to coast, across five-and-one-half time zones, two official languages, and a hundred ethnicities. Torczyner, Boxhill, James, and Mulder have made a remarkable stride in that direction.

That's not to say the report is perfect. I wish, for instance, that the brief survey of African-Canadian history had referenced a few more texts, including Robin W. Winks's *The Blacks in Canada: A History* (1971), despite its American liberal blindness toward the substantive Canadian difference from the U.S., and James Walker's *The West Indians in Canada* (1984). I also wish that greater precision had been granted figures and dates in the historical essay. (For example, 1,500 not 2,500, Black Loyalists left Nova Scotia for Sierra Leone in 1792.) Discussing Black Canadian economic statistics, Torczyner could have referred to Adrienne Shadd's 1987 study of black male employment and wage rates in Ontario and Nova Scotia as well as to Agnes Calliste's 1995 essay on black families in Canada. Peccadilloes and omissions aside, the McGill group merits kudos for taking a relatively wide-angle snapshot of the state of African Canada.

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Black at McGill

McGill isn't legally required to track the number of black professors or students. But students have formed several organizations giving black students social and political opportunities. *Black Students' Network (514) 398-6815:* The students run tutoring services for elementary and high school students in Montreal communities with a large Black population. They plan activities for Black History Month (February) including children's day, organize entertainment, publish a special newspaper, and broadcast *Black Talk* program on CKUT. Contact by e-mail: vtunte@pobox.mcgill.ca. *African Students' Association: (514) 398-2226. Caribbean Students' Society: (514) 398-1519.*

PREMIÈRE A

une foule de

par Pierre Théroux

Quel est le prix d'une chambre en résidences? Sont-elles à proximité de l'Université? À quels cours devrais-je m'inscrire? Quels sont les débouchés ou les possibilités de carrière dans mon domaine d'étude?

Avant même leur arrivée à McGill, les étudiants de première année ont une foule de questions en tête. Des interrogations pratiques mais aussi parfois des appréhensions devant ce nouveau défi que représente la vie universitaire.

«L'ajustement s'est fait en douceur, sans vraiment de difficultés. Je savais à quoi m'attendre», constate Valerie Kwaipun, une étudiante en science de 18 ans, de Toronto, en précisant que la présence de membres de sa famille à Montréal, et même à McGill, a sans aucun doute facilité son entrée à l'Université.

Jean-François Robichaud, un étudiant de quatrième année en génie électrique, se rappelle aussi avoir vécu une adaptation relativement facile. «Les étudiants de première année se retrouvent tous dans le même bateau et ont tendance à se tenir ensemble et s'aider. J'ai surtout eu à m'habituer à un environnement anglophone, ça prend quelques semaines.»

Pour les francophones, soit près du quart des nouveaux étudiants en 1996, l'adaptation dans un milieu anglophone peut en effet s'avérer difficile. Particulièrement à la rentrée, soit pendant la période d'admission alors que le calendrier n'est pas disponible en français, ou encore lors des activités Frosh, ont indiqué certains étudiants. Puis, il y a les cours bien sûr, mais les étudiants dont la langue maternelle n'est pas l'anglais ont la possibilité de rédiger leurs travaux ou examens en français.

Ceux qui doutent de leur capacité dans la langue de Shakespeare sont également invités à aiguiser leur connaissance en suivant un cours intensif pendant les mois d'été. On leur conseille également de réduire leur charge de cours lors du premier semestre.

Coordonnatrice de première année

«Les nouveaux étudiants se retrouvent devant une multitude de choses à découvrir, à apprendre, à assimiler. Et dans un environnement qui ne leur est pas toujours familier», reconnaît Rhonda Amsel, vice-doyenne des services aux étudiants.

On estime d'ailleurs qu'un étudiant universitaire sur quatre est susceptible de mettre un terme à ses études après la première année, ou en cours de route. À McGill, 90.7% des quelque 3880 nouveaux étudiants inscrits en 1996 ont poursuivi leurs études après la première année. Problèmes académiques, difficultés d'adaptation, conditions financières, désillusion, voilà autant de raisons qui peuvent les pousser hors des murs d'une université.

Il y a deux ans, l'Université McGill décidait de mettre sur pied un comité d'étude réunissant des membres de l'Université ainsi que des étudiants. Son mandat: faciliter l'intégration des étudiants de première année à la vie universitaire et sociale de McGill.

Une des premières mesures mises de l'avant par l'Université, à la suite des recommandations énoncées par le comité d'étude, fut de nommer une coordonnatrice de première année relevant du bureau de la doyenne des services aux étudiants.

«J'étais chargée d'aider les nouveaux étudiants, et même leurs parents, à se procurer des renseignements sur les services accessibles à travers le campus», explique Trish Duff qui occupait le poste depuis novembre 1996 avant d'être récemment remplacée par Leslie Copeland.

Afin de centraliser dans un même lieu tous les renseignements pertinents, elle a établi des liens avec de nombreux secteurs de l'Université qui offrent des services aux étudiants. Si elle ne peut venir en aide à un étudiant, elle peut alors l'aiguiller vers les personnes compétentes.

Orientation, orientation, orientation

Les premiers instants, la première impression, peuvent être déterminants pour les étudiants de première année. «La première semaine est sans aucun doute la plus importante. Elle influence souvent le degré d'implication et d'intégration des nouveaux étudiants», souligne Anne Topolski, étudiante de 3e année et co-directrice d'un comité d'étudiants visant l'implantation de nouvelles mesures servant à faciliter l'arrivée des étudiants de première année.

Constatant qu'un grand nombre d'étudiants se sentaient perdus et craignaient de manquer les diverses activités organisées à leur intention lors de la rentrée, le comité a donc établi un horaire leur permettant de mieux gérer leur emploi du temps. Aussi, des suggestions ont été émises afin d'améliorer certaines séances d'orientation jugées parfois inadéquates et impersonnelles par les étudiants. Puis, de concert avec le bureau de la doyenne des services aux étudiants, il fut décidé de réduire l'amoncellement d'informations distribuées aux étudiants en début d'année et d'épurer Le Guide des services aux étudiants, ainsi que Le Guide d'accueil (Welcome Book), en vue de les rendre plus accessibles et attrayants.

Au cours de la semaine qui précède le début des cours, les nouveaux étudiants sont tenus d'assister à l'une des séances d'orientation obligatoires organisées à leur intention. De même, les étudiants peuvent profiter du Centre d'orientation qui est ouvert seulement pendant deux semaines et dirigé par des étudiants inscrits en deuxième et troisième année. Enfin, le programme Frosh permet aux nouveaux étudiants, dès la

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première semaine, de lier connaissance les uns avec les autres, ainsi qu'avec McGill et Montréal.

«J'ai surtout apprécié les rencontres avec un conseiller qui nous aidait dans le choix des cours», souligne Jean-François Robichaud. «Les sessions d'orientation étaient plutôt longues, mais j'ai beaucoup aimé les activités Frosh», mentionne pour sa part Valerie Kwaipun à propos de ses premiers pas à McGill. Mais elle a particulièrement apprécié recevoir un appel téléphonique plusieurs semaines avant la rentrée. «J'étais très surprise et contente. D'autant plus que j'avais des questions concernant les résidences et la personne qui m'a contactée m'a grandement éclairée.»

Le printemps dernier, des dizaines de membres du personnel universitaire et d'étudiants volontaires ont en effet appelé les quelque 5000 nouveaux étudiants de McGill. Le but étant d'établir un premier contact personnalisé et de répondre aux interrogations des futurs universitaires. Rhonda Amsel, Trish Duff et Anne Topolski, qui ont participé à l'événement, confirment que ce nouveau service a connu un vif succès auprès des étudiants.

Les étudiants étrangers qui, en plus, doivent généralement s'adapter à un milieu de vie différent, ont également droit à une attention particulière. «Nous essayons d'établir le contact le plus rapidement possible. La plupart d'entre eux sont même accueillis par des étudiants dès leur arrivée à Montréal», indique Corrie Bertone, responsable au Service de l'accueil des étudiants étrangers qui voit notamment à les informer au sujet des règlements en matière d'immigration et des visas réglementaires, des permis de séjour ou encore du Régime d'assurance-maladie.

«J'ai eu quelques problèmes avec le système d'inscriptions MARS, je ne savais pas trop comment faire, mais tout s'est très bien passé dans l'ensemble. Les gens de l'Université, mais aussi de Montréal, sont toujours prêts à donner un coup de main», affirme Peter Sitati. Originaire de Nairobi, au Kenya, cet étudiant en biochimie âgé de 20 ans dit ne pas avoir eu de problèmes jusqu'à présent à s'acclimater à sa nouvelle vie d'étudiant universitaire en terre étrangère et affirme que les sessions d'orientation lui ont été fort profitables.

L'entrée à l'université représente un grand tournant dans la vie d'un étudiant, autant sur le plan intellectuel que social. «Les étudiants de première année ont rapidement besoin de sentir qu'ils font partie intégrante de cette nouvelle communauté. Il importe de les guider et, s'il y a lieu, de répondre avec célérité à leurs problèmes d'ordre académique et personnel», conclut Rhonda Amsel, en précisant que le bureau de la doyenne des services aux étudiants, à cet égard, collabore de près avec les représentants et les organismes étudiants.

Synopsis: A student's first year at university can be a stressful period: most students who drop out do so in their first year. The Dean of Students office now has a First Year Coordinator to see students through any difficulties they may have. Some feel lost and are afraid of missing frosh activities in their first weeks of school. Some have academic questions, financial difficulties, or just become disillusioned. The coordinator offers advice or directs students to the right person for help. Francophone students in particular may have a tough time adapting to an anglophone environment. They are encouraged to get involved, to take language courses if necessary, and to reduce their course-loads if they feel overwhelmed. For

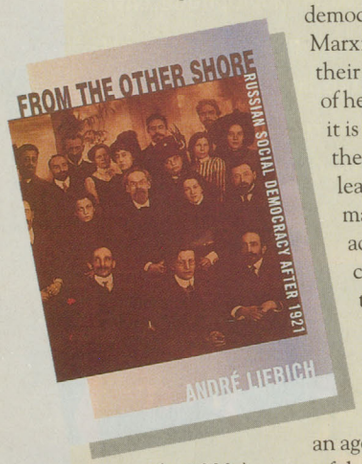
Illustration: Max Stiebel/ARO

1996-97, 90.7% of first year students continued at McGill after their first year. "They need to feel they're part of the community," says Rhonda Amsel, Associate Dean of Students. "We need to answer their academic and personal concerns right away."

From The Other Shore: Russian Social Democracy After 1921. *Harvard University Press*, 1997, US$48.00, by André Liebich, BA'68.

Eighteen years ago, Andre Liebich, BA'68, now professor of Internationa Studies in Geneva, began to reconstrct the history of the Menshevik movemnt in exile. This authoritative book is th fruit of his long labour.

The Mensheviks were members of ne Social Democratic Labour Party who broke with Lenin and the Bolsheviks After 1917, their leaders went abroac where, despite hardships and disappointments, they continued to engage passionately in political debae, remaining faithful to their vision of democratic Marxism. In his their story sracks of heroism. 'et it is also sac for these were leaders wihout many follwers; advocate of a cause tht turned ut to be dooned.



The ore groupvere mostl of an age (bornn the 1880s), many of them self-educated, at least half of them Jewisl, but in temperament typical Russian intellectuals: alienated from society disputatious, and as intense about relationships as they were about ides. Despite their break with Bolshevism, the Mensheviks' goal was world (or t least European) revolution and fellow-socialists welcomed them when they left Russa. Berlin became their centre. Germai SDs subsidized them, found commisions and jobs for them; socialists in othe countries and sympathizers in Ameica also helped. Soon they were able toublish a newspaper, *The Socialist Courier*, to serve the needs of the SD movemen in Russia" with which they maintaine contact by means that included Balic smugglers and invisible ink.

By the time their charismatic leaer, Martov, died in 1923, their hopes hd faded and gradually their mission clanged. Instead of promoting revolution they became mere monitors and critics of Soviet developments, guarding the purity of Russian socialism. But they also maintained a high profile in the Labour and Socialist International and were respected by such Marxist luminaries as Karl Kautsky, Rudolf Hilferding and Otto Bauer (though not by the theory-suspicious British Labour Party). And when Hitler came to power in Germany it was Leon Blum who provided visas enabling them to move to Paris.

When France fell in 1940 they transferred to New York. But they found adjustment to their new circumstances difficult. Hope for a genuinely socialist revolution on which they had been nurtured had faded, a rigid Soviet regime dominated Russia, and they were getting old. Some, like Fedor Dan, moved towards acceptance of the Soviets if only as a safeguard against fascism; but others, like David Dallin, became professional Cold Warriors, and others again threw their remaining energies into recording their past – though feisty old Olga Domanevskaia, veteran of the 1905 Revolution, was last sighted in the 1960s at an anti-war demonstration in Washington.

How important were the Mensheviks? Certainly they made an important contribution both to the corpus of socialist polemic and to Western Cold War ideology. Liebich argues they defined a democratic Marxist alternative to Communism, creating an historical "option", a might-have-been which could have worked. This could be wishful thinking, but he has provided us with a story rich in human experience – of steadfastness and comradeship, rivalries and fallings-out, disillusionment, anguish. The Mensheviks may have been failures, but historical interest is not contingent on success.

Philip Longworth
McGill Professor of History

Transmutations: music for voice, piano & electronics (New Music from the Americas, 3), *SHELAN*, 1996, CD $20. (Meg Sheppard, voice; alcides lanza, piano & electronics. Works by lanza, Celona, Saint-Marcoux, Jones, Pennycook and Kasemets.)

In the contemporary music community, alcides lanza is known as a professor of composition and director of McGill's Electronic Music Studio, where he has unrelentingly promoted what is often perceived as "inaccessible" or "elitist" music for many years. *Transmutations* presents avant-garde collaborators Meg Sheppard and lanza in six eclectic works. The first, lanza's own *vôo*, marks the 500th anniversary of Columbus's voyage to America, and is evocative rather than provocative (despite the political weight of the issue) by its repetitive and fragmented use of words. Isolated words are sung, exclaimed or spoken, and often coloured or transformed by digital signal processing.

In John Celona's *Player Piano*, the layering of simple melodic cells creates the now very recognizable "minimalist" complexity. Robert Jones's *Sangeet* is a set of two static devotional melodies supported by an ever-evolving piano accompaniment. The first, *amaram ham, madhuram ham*, is particularly refreshing in its economy.

The last and most puzzling piece is Udo Kasemets' *Calendar Round: Megalcides*. The score is described as "the calendar of the ancient Maya," which can be played "in real time (52 years)" – that's right, 52 years – "or compressed time (at any chosen scale)." Esoteric? Yes, but intriguing as well. Unfortunately, the piece needs a theatrical element to make an impact. In concert, the distraction of a giant rotating calendar and the presence of Meg Sheppard, instruments in hand, chanting and singing, would surely add another dimension.

For the curious, initiated or not, *Transmutations* gives a glimpse of how musical artists are integrating technology into their art.

David Cronkite

BOOKS RECEIVED

Cette Architecture qui nous parle ... et faconne notre monde. Par Harry Mayerovitch, BArch'33. *Editions Multimedia Robert Davies* 1997. $18. Translation of a book originally published in English. This is a non-technical approach to architecture for everyone. Mayerovitch shows how buildings not only provide shelter but help us to understand and fashion our own lives.

The Post-Cold War Trading System. Who's on first? by Sylvia Ostry, BA'48, MA'50, PhD'54, LLD'72. *The University of Chicago Press.* 1997. US$17.95. Identifying the historical and legal issues crucial to understanding postwar trade policy, Ostry uses the lessons of the past to help chart a course for the future. She examines the role played by the United States in the renewal of economic growth in postwar Europe and Japan, and analyzes the growing importance of multinational enterprises in shaping the new trade policy agenda.

Secret Montreal. The Unique Guidebook to Montreal's Hidden Sites, Sounds and Tastes. by Tod Hoffman, BA'85, MA'88. *ECW Press.* 1997. This alternative to regular guidebooks directs the reader to places that are off the beaten track. Some of the section headings are "Secret Antiques", "Secret Coffee Breaks", "Secret Gardens", "Secret McGill" and many more – 75 in all.

The Montreal Family Violence Resource Directory. McGill University School of Social Work and the Montreal Urban Community Police Service. 1997. $15. Bilingual. A directory for all people needing help to ensure that they are directed to the most appropriate resources. Includes emergency and other important phone numbers, sections for various population groups, men, women, children, seniors, gays, immigrants, available programs and a list with descriptions of useful directories.

Manual of Skin Surgery. A Practical Guide to Dermatologic Procedures. By Dr. David J. Lefell, MD'81, and Marc D. Brown. *John Wiley and Sons Inc.* $67.50. Offers a clear, step-by-step introduction to the fundamentals of dermatologic surgery from anatomy and diagnosis to preoperative preparation and assessment, operative technique and postoperative care.

Montreal Entrepreneur's Guidebook. Youth Employment Services. Editor: Charles B. Crawford, Researcher: Armand Benitah, $30 or $35 by post. (514) 878-9788. A unique all-in-one reference that explains the steps necessary to become a successful entrepreneur. It is directed mainly to young, English-speaking Montreal youth. It includes expert advice, checklists, references, and the second section is an "Entreprenurial Resource Guide."

McGill ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

AWARDS PROGRAM

Call for Nominations
Deadline: January 31, 1998

All graduates and members of the McGill community are invited to nominate candidates for the Alumni Recognition Awards, sponsored by the McGill Alumni Association. These awards were conceived to honour the valuable contributions of alumni, students, friends, and staff of McGill University.

Award recipients will be honoured at a special banquet in June 1998.

The awards are:

THE AWARD OF MERIT

The Association's most prestigious award is presented to a graduate who, by his or her own efforts, has enhanced the reputation and prestige of McGill University through a lifetime contribution of exceptional leadership and service to the University, Association and community.

The recipient is decided by vote of the Board of Directors on recommendation of the Honours & Awards Committee. Active officers of the McGill Alumni Association are ineligible for this award.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Awarded to an alumnus who has rendered outstanding service and long-term commitment to the Association and/or to the University.

All recommendations require the approval of the Honours & Awards Committee and are submitted to the Board of Directors for final approval.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Awarded to a non-graduate who has demonstrated a long-term commitment of outstanding service to the Association and to the University.

E.P. TAYLOR AWARD

Awarded to a volunteer who has demonstrated outstanding voluntary service to the McGill Alma Mater Fund.

DAVID JOHNSTON AWARD

Created to honour Principal David L. Johnston's leadership effort, this award is presented to a McGill faculty or staff member who has done exemplary work on behalf of the McGill Alma Mater Fund.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Awarded to a student who has demonstrated leadership qualities while contributing to the advancement of alumni activities in a volunteer capacity.

In addition, the McGill Alumni Association also honours its branch network by presenting the following at the special banquet in June 1998:
Event of the Year
President of the Year
Branch of the Year

For more information and to obtain nomination forms, please contact:
Sue Cowan, McGill Alumni Association
3605 de la Montagne, Montreal (Quebec), Canada, H3G 2M1
Tel: (514) 398-3553, Fax: (514) 398-7338
E-mail: suec@martlet1.lan.mcgill.ca

McGILL HOME

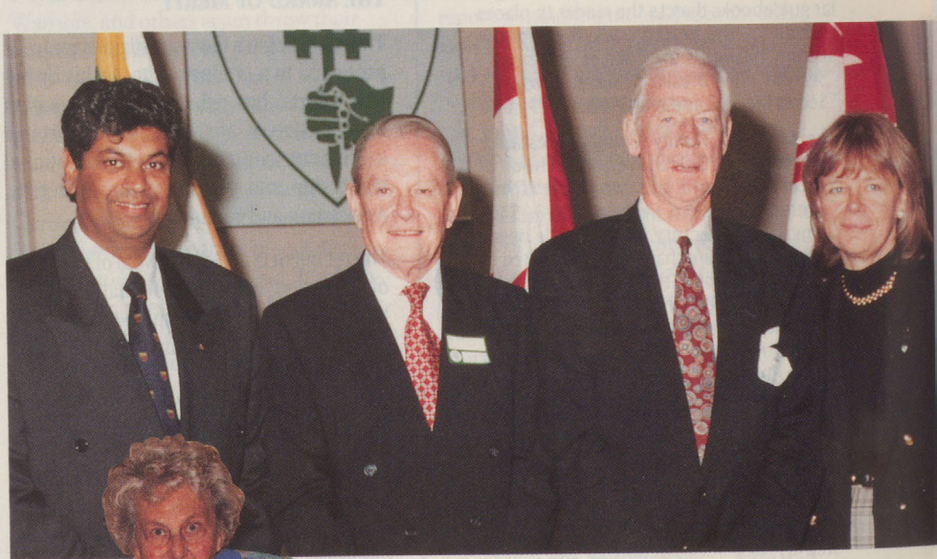
Festivities kicked off Thursday, September 18, with the Sports Hall of Fame Luncheon hosted by David Johnston, Richard Pound, BCom'62, BCL'67, and Master of Ceremonies Dick Irvin, BCom'53. Next up was the 28th Annual Leacock Luncheon with a record 755 guests at the Radisson Hotel des Gouverneurs who turned out to dine and enjoy the humour of this year's guest lecturer, Bill Richardson. Out on the Macdonald campus, Mac grads attended the Sir William Macdonald Luncheon with special guest speaker the Honourable Clifford Lincoln, whose strong environmental interests and concerns made him a natural for the luncheon. Guests at the 25th Anniversary Dinner and Dance were treated to an Elvis sighting and boogied the night away at the Faculty Club. The Class Leaders' Reception at Redpath Hall honoured alumni for years of service to the Alma Mater Fund and the McGill Alumni Association. Principal Shapiro welcomed the 50th Anniversary Class (1947) to the Principal's Dinner at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, with each class member being presented with a commemorative gift. At the Chancellor's Dinner in the next room over at the Ritz, Chancellor Gretta Chambers, the Class of 1942 and earlier years were regaled with a singing toast from toastmaster Torrence Gurman, BSc'22, who celebrated his 75th anniversary – yes, 75th – as an alumnus of McGill.

There were many other Homecoming '97 activities over the weekend, with campus tours and lectures, a first-ever Cyber Café where grads learned to surf the Net, walking tours of Old Montreal, and 65 class reunions across campus. The Shrine Bowl on Saturday saw a large turnout of devoted alumni and fans for the Redmen game against the Bishop's Gaiters, but fans were unfortunately not able to cheer their team in victory this year, as the Redmen lost 21-11. Stats watchers may take heart, however, to learn that the official score has been changed to 1-0 for McGill, as Bishop's had to forfeit five season games for using an academically ineligible player.

Homecoming '97 came to an end with the Closing Brunch on Sunday at Gibby's in Old Montreal. Here are some snapshots captured by our roving Homecoming photographer, Nicolas Morin.

Meanwhile, back on the farm...

Clifford Lincoln, Federal Member of Parliament and former Quebec Minister of the Environment, and Richard E. Archibald, BSc(Agr)'51, raised a toast to Macdonald during the Sir William Macdonald Luncheon.
Left to right: Macdonald Homecoming Chair Chandra Madramootoo, BSc (AgrEng)'77, MSc'81, PhD'85, Clifford Lincoln, Richard E. Archibald, BSc(Agr)'51, Dean Deborah Buszard, Faculty of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences.



Puttin' on the Ritz

Members of the Classes of '42, '37, '32, and others dined at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel for the Chancellor's dinner with Chancellor Gretta Chambers, BA'47. Left to right: Mary (Cantlon) Coppin, BA'37, Margaret (Kilpatrick) Gibbins, BA'37, Betty (Smith) Locke, BA'37, Gertrude I. (Rogers) Bourne, BA'37, BLS'38, and Isobel (MacLaggan) Oswald, BA'37, MA'81.

COMING 1997

Welcome home

Members of the Class of '47 at the Macdonald Homecoming. 1st Row (left to right): Jo (Mitton) McFadden, BSc(HEc)'47, Eileen (Frappier) Borthwick, BSc(HEc)'47, Sylvia (Eardley-Wilmot) Saunders, BSc(HEc)'47, Roland Greenbank, BSc(Agr)'47, Dip. 1, 2, 3 Ed (QC), Sheila (Cone) Sinclair, BSc(HEc)'47, Cynthia (Dhein) Mahabir, BSc(HEc)'47, Ruth Shaver, BSc(HEc)'47. 2nd Row (left to right): Rev. David R. Morrison, BSc(Agr)'47, Allan A. Saunders, BSc(Agr)'47, Dr. John E. Moxley, BSc(Agr)'47, MSc'52, Normand R. St-Jean, BSc(Agr)'47, John L. Walter, BSc(Agr)'47, Rhodes L. Hennigar, BSc(Agr)'47, Charles H. Jefferson, BSc(Agr)'47, G. Allan O'Brien, BSc(Agr)'47.

50 years

Chancellor Gretta Chambers received her 50th Anniversary Pin from Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, at the Chancellor's Dinner held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel.

Polish up the silver

At the Class Leaders' Reception, the 1947 Engineering class were recipients of the Lorne Gales Award for staying in close touch with McGill. Pamela Miller, BA'66, presenting Award to Donald R. Mooney, BEng'47, Louis J. Laflamme, BEng'47, John M. Bishop, BEng'47, Mario Spino, BEng'47, and Richard A. Ward, BEng'47 (missing from photo: George F. Bassett, BEng'47).

Anyone know the Heimlich manoeuvre?

Laughs and lunch: this year's guest lecturer at the 28th Annual Leacock Luncheon was novelist and humourist Bill Richardson.

Left to right: noted comedians Derek Drummond, BArch'62, Vice-Principal (Development and Alumni Relations), and Bill Richardson share a chuckle.

McGILL HOMECOMING 1997

Lead on...

Principal Bernard Shapiro, BA'56, LLD'88, honours Herbert Thornhill, BA'46, as a Class Agent with 50 years of active and valued leadership.

Celebration time

Top photo (left to right): Christine Hiller, MLIS'87, Chair, Class Agents' Committee, Salwa Ferahian, BA'80, MLS'83, Maria Keenan, Cert HRM'97, Alumni Relations Officer and indefatigable Homecoming organizer, pause for a snapshot.

Cheers!

Torrence I. Gurman, BSc'22, gave the toast to McGill at the Chancellor's Dinner in his own way. He sang. Torrence Gurman with Chancellor Gretta Chambers.

Where'd Elvis go?

Top photo: Alumni at the 25th Anniversary Dinner and Dance ate, drank, danced and were treated to an Elvis impersonator to boot. At far right is Ian McLachlin, BEng'60, Homecoming '97 Chair, with 25th anniversary celebrants at the McGill Faculty Club. Elvis has no doubt left the building.

Plans are already underway for next year's

HOMECOMING

Reserve these dates now:
September 17 to September 20, 1998

Homecoming 1998 will celebrate graduation anniversary years ending in "3" and "8"

***All aboard (above)**: The Southern California branch of the Alumni Association, led by Phyllis Fasola, BSc(PE)'50, organized a lunch on April 13 aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach, Calif. Derek Drummond, BArch'62, Vice-Principal (Development and Alumni Relations), spoke to the group and made all nostalgic for Montreal and McGill. Left to right: Robert Trench, Claire Fouquet, MSc'92, Phyllis Fasola, BSc(PE)'50, Nicholas Petropoulos, BSc(Arch)'80, BArch'81, Norman Filman, MEng'46, Calli Chilakos, Nay Griffith.*

***Guten Tag from Munich.** McGill alumni living in Germany gathered for a reunion in May, led by Madeline Cathcart-Bohr, BA'71, and Niki Ehlers, LLM'88. A fun-filled weekend included a reception at the Canadian Consulate, a walking tour, and Sunday brunch. Along the way the group, dressed in McGill apparel during their tour, even picked up stray McGill alumni who joined them in celebrations. Left to right: At the Canadian Consulate in Munich, Frau Saleh, Margaret Cathcart, BA'39, Mrs. Williams, Janet Clark, BA'67, Niki Ehlers, LLM'88, Timothy Williams, Elisabeth Ehlers, Mary Elizabeth Wulf, MBA'90, Madeline Cathcart-Bohr, BA'71, guest, Helene Lebon, BEd'70, Arbrecht Kurbjuhn, BA'79, Heidi Hummel-Deans, Ingrid Wood, Stefan Boor, Dagmar Kurbjuhn (not pictured: Andrew Wood BSc'64, MA'70).*

***1 stroke penalty (above):** John Lukca, BCom'75, Dip PubAcct'78, pictured here during the Alumni Golf Tournament held May 29 at the Lachute Golf Club, may want to work on his slice.*

***Stalking the Napa Valley Grape (below):** Dean Fuks also visited the Napa Valley with the Northern California Branch of the Alumni Association on September 6. The group was led by Helen Megan, BSc'65 (far right, in red).*

COMING EVENTS

- **December 4, Hong Kong:** Reception. Guest Derek Drummond, Vice Principal (Development & Alumni Relations). Contact Milton Leong (852) 2523-3007.
- **December 10, Toronto:** Holiday Party. Guest speaker Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, Alumni Relations/Advancement. Contact Alexya Heelis (416) 974-5795.
- **December 11, New York:** Holiday Party. Guests Honora Shaughnessy, Executive Director, Alumni Relations/Advancement, and Anne Roussell, Executive Director, Recruitment & Liaison Office and Director, Development & Alumni Relations Services. Contact Trish Duff (514) 398-3008.
- **December 13, Boston:** Montreal Canadiens vs. Boston Bruins, contact Seth Katz (617) 864-6578.
- **January 29 to February 1, Montreal:** North American Debating Championship hosted by the McGill Debating Union. McGill Alumni Debate, January 29. Contact 398-6824.
- **February 22, Tampa, Florida:** All-Canadian Universities Alumni Brunch. Contact Trish Duff (514) 398-3008.

***Doctors in the House (above):** Abraham Fuks, BSc'68, MD'70, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, hosted a dinner for McGill Medical Alumni in Los Angeles on September 4, 1997. Back row: William Wilson, BSc'49, MD'53, MSc'57, Dip Surgery'62, Daniel Funderburk, MD'56, Eugene Boston, MD'57, Gerald Rothman, BSc'63, MD'67, Cary Gota, MD'70, Joyce Gota, Mrs. Brian Koffman, Brian Koffman, BSc'73, MD'75. Front row: Mrs. Eugene Boston, Dean Abraham Fuks, Donna Sexsmith, MSW'55.*

AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES/MACDONALD CAMPUS

Marcel J. Couture, Dip(AgrSc)'65, BSc(Agr)'72, est le vice-doyen et directeur, programme du diplôme pour la faculté des sciences de l'agriculture et de l'environnement. L'Ordre des agronomes du Québec lui a nommé au titre de commandeur de l'Ordre du mérite agronomique. Cette distinction est décernée à un agronome qui a rendu des services exceptionnels dans le domaine de l'agriculture ou pour la cause agronomique, au plan des idées ou des faits, tout au long de sa carrière.

Jennylynd James, BSc'86, PhD'97, is an assistant professor at Florida A&M University.

ARCHITECTURE

P. Roy Wilson, BArch'24, has painted 1,450 watercolours to date, and is painting more than ever. Many of his works can be found in the archives of the McGill School of Architecture.

Raymond Moriyama, MArch'57, DSc'93, received the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada's Gold Medal on June 21, 1997. His recent design for the Saudi Arabian National Museum is now under construction in Riyadh. He resides in Toronto.

Jim Donaldson, BArch'62, is travelling around North America taping video interviews of graduates and professors from the McGill School of Architecture, helping in the creation of a living history of the school, particularly since it celebrated its centennial anniversary in 1996.

Billy Freedin, BSc (Arch)'77, BArch'79, is with the firm of D. D. Humes Financial Services Inc. as an investment funds representative.

Sevag Pogharian, BSc(Arch)'84, BArch'86, completed a project entitled *Sprout*, the first "envirohome" in Quebec, on St. Ambroise Street near the Atwater market. It is a new type of low-cost, environment-friendly, flexible housing which would meet the needs of a first-time home-buying family. He plans to live there for a year with his wife and baby.

ARTS

H. Herschel Segal, BA'55, is the chief executive officer, president and chairman of Le Château Stores of Canada Ltd., which he founded 38 years ago. The clothing chain has more than 180 stores in North America. He makes his home in Montreal.

Ruth (Roskies) Wisse, BA'57, PhD'69, is Harvard University's first professor of Yiddish literature. She was recruited from McGill where she was the first incumbent of the Montreal Jewish Community Chair in the Department of Jewish Studies.

Ilyse Taub Segal, BA'59, illustrated a book entitled *First Cat, Second Term*, published by Capra Press.

Sonia Raikes, BA'61, was honoured as a Woman of Distinction by the YWCA. She is Vice-President of Standard Life Portfolio Management Limited, and was the first woman executive in the company. She was also the first female member of the Off the Record Club. She lives in Westmount, Que.

Ann McCall, BA'64, had an exhibit of her prints entitled *The Grasses* featured at the Espace Trois gallery, Montreal, in May 1997.

Gordon S. Blackman, BA'65, has been nominated for the Governor-General's Award for Excellence in Teaching Canadian History. He is a teacher at John Rennie High School in Pointe Claire, Que.

Henry Srebrnik, BA'66, MA'70, published a book entitled *London Jews and British Communism, 1935-1945*, Vallentine Mitchell Publishers. He is an associate professor of political studies at the University of Prince Edward Island.

Elaine Kalman Naves, BA'67, is a journalist and writer, and has a literary column in *The Gazette* in Montreal. Her book, *Journey to Vaja: Reconstructing the World of a Hungarian-Jewish Family*, published by McGill-Queen's University Press, was released in 1996.

Ron Burnett, BA'68, MA'71, PhD'81, was appointed President of the Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design in Vancouver. He also published a book entitled *Cultures of Vision: Images, Media and the Imaginary*, Indiana University Press (1996) and has been working with UNESCO on a new educational project for third world countries.

Ross Paul, MA'68, was appointed President of the University of Windsor.

Penelope Elias-Winship, BA'69, MSW'71, is serving on the Self-Management Working Party of the Manic Depression Fellowship, UK, devising a course to teach sufferers how to manage their illness.

Frances Harber, BA'70, teaches in Victoria, B.C. She recently performed at Langham Court Theatre in a production of Michel Tremblay's *Les Belles Soeurs*, along with two other McGill graduates, **Alix Cowie**, BSc'50, and **Karen Schafer**, BA'81, BSW'85, MSW'87. Her new children's book, *The Brothers' Promise*, is to be published by Albert Whitman, Chicago, in the Spring of 1998.

Richard Lande, BA'71, was appointed President of F.P.A. Logistics in Toronto, a transportation buying consortium whose members include Alberta food processors.

David S. Rovins, BA'71, is the Founder and President of Préservations Laurentides, a group which seeks United Nations recognition of the Laurentian mountains in Quebec, in order to preserve its environment. He also ran for the New Democratic Party of Canada in the Laurentides riding in the last federal election.

Ira H. Srole, BA'71, is photo-lab supervisor for the City of Rochester, New York. In addition, he runs a freelance photography business called Inflections. He married Margaret Merriman in 1986 and is the father of two step-children and grandfather of two.

Donald Mackenzie Bullock Jr., BA'72, was married to Lesley Thompson on August 24, 1996.

Jacob Stettin, BA'72, is the General Counsel of En Pointe Technologies Inc., based in California.

Martha Perusse, BA'76, MSc'78, was appointed Principal of the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf.

Janet Spiegel, BA'80, was promoted to Director of the downtown Los Angeles Kaplan Center for Kaplan Educational Centers, a standardized test preparation company.

Mark Blumstein, BA'81, has published his poetry in *Canadian Jewish Outlook* and in the American anthology, *Wind in the Night Sky*. He returned to Montreal after living for a time in Israel. He presently writes for Outlook and the National Library of Poetry U.S.A., and works for the Equality Party.

Anne Meneley, BA'84, explores the everyday life, vibrant sociability and elaborate etiquette of Zibidi women in her new book, *Tournaments of Value: Sociability and Hierarchy in a Yemeni Town* (University of Toronto Press). She is currently a visiting assistant professor at Lewis & Clark College, Portland, Ore.

Murielle Nagy, BA'84, a obtenu un doctorat en anthropologie de l'Université d'Alberta en juin 1997. Elle avait obtenu une maîtrise en archéologie de Simon Fraser University en 1988. Elle termine un postdoc au Groupe d'études Inuit et circumpolaires de l'Université Laval.

Amy Schatz, BA'84, produces public affairs and arts documentaries. She recently received a Peabody Award for an HBO family special entitled *How do you spell God?* as well as a New York Emmy for an arts special about the beat generation. She lives in New York City.

Mark A. Price, BA'86, is the acting director, planning and treaty operations, of the British Columbia Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs. He lives near Victoria with his wife, Leah, and three children.

Steve Smith, BA'86, MA'89, received a Commonwealth Scholarship in 1987 tenable at Wolfson College, Oxford. After graduating with a DPhil, in 1992, he was employed as acquisitions editor for Blackwell Publishers, Oxford, UK.

Lori Yersh, BA'87, MEd'92, MEd'97, is Senior Consultant, Grenzebach Glier & Associates, in Chicago. Lori spent 12 years at McGill, beginning as a student employee in the Alma Mater Fund and rising through the ranks to Associate Director of the Annual Fund. She was chair of the Women's Leadership Project with the Alumnae Society. Lori worked full-time while completing two master's degrees in psychology and education.

Glen C. Crawford, BA'88, finished a psychiatric residency at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., in July 1996, after serving as chief resident. He is currently the Head of Mental Health at the Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Christopher Thomas Dornan, PhD'88, has been appointed director of Carleton University's School of Journalism & Communication. He and his wife had their first child in October.

D. Mark Prescott, BA'88, is a law student at the University of Saskatchewan.

Anne Kothawala, BA'89, a accepté le poste de vice-présidente, politiques, de l'Association canadienne des journaux.

Beth E. Machlovitch, BA'89, received a J.D. degree at New York University Law School in 1992 and is now an attorney in legal and business affairs in the Motion Picture Group of Walt Disney Pictures & Television in Los Angeles.

Clarence Epstein, BA'90, is working towards a doctorate in the Centre for Architectural History at the University of Edinburgh. He was awarded the 1997 Weil Prize by the Society for the Study of Architecture in Canada for his work on religious buildings in Montreal during the British Colonial Period.

Gary Krysler, MA'91, is Vice-President, Member Services for the Women's Council of Realtors in Chicago.

Eric Block, BA'92, MA'96, completed his Bachelor of Law degree at Christchurch College, Oxford University. He worked for United Nations Watch in Geneva and as an editorial writer for the *Wall Street Journal Europe*. He is pursuing an LLM at the University of Chicago.

Adam Dodek, BA'92, was married to Nicole Goldstone on July 20, 1997, in Johannesburg, South Africa. Among the guests were **Eric Block**, BA'92, MA'96 and **Justin Cammy**, BA'93. After graduation, Adam completed his law degree at Harvard University. He then clerked for the Supreme Court of Israel. Adam and Nicole are living in Pasadena, California, where he is a judicial clerk on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Emma Parkinson, BA'92, is Project Manager, Distributed Development, with the Information Systems department for Bell Mobility.

James D. M. Stewart, BA'92, BEd'94, was recently appointed President of the Canadian Association of Panama for 1997-1998. He is a teacher at the Panama International School. He was married to Julia Thompson, in Ottawa, last July.

Jean Marc Benoît, BA'93, enrolled at McMaster Medical School in Hamilton, Ont. He was the 1995 Most Valuable Player with the McMaster cross-country running team.

Paulo Bilezikjian, BA'93, is the head equity trader for ING Barings in Brazil.

James C. Brown, BA'93, is at l'Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris studying for a DEA (Diplôme d'Études Approfondies) in the Pensée Politique program.

Justin Cammy, BA'93, recently married Rachel Rubinstein of Irvington, N.Y. Justin and Rachel are both pursuing a PhD in literature at Harvard University while also serving as resident tutors at Harvard's Quincy House. Justin, who co-founded the Hutchison Society while at McGill, is thrilled that co-founders, **Eric Block,** BA'92, MA'96, and **Adam Dodek,** BA'92, as well as adjunct Hutchisonians **Abigail Wisse,** BA'01, **Zev Gewurz,** BA'92, **Ronald Balinsky,** BCom'94, and **David Diner,** BCom'94, all contributed to the rowdy atmosphere at his wedding.

Oona S. Craig, BA'93, completed a BEd at the University of Toronto following an MA in classics at Dalhousie University. She is teaching high school math and working as a residence don at Trafalgar Castle School in Whitby, Ont.

Amy Rose, BA'93, has moved to Taegu, South Korea, to teach English for a year. Next, she plans to attend the University of Leeds, England, to obtain a bachelor's degree in health sciences midwifery.

Rochelle Tucker, BA'93, completed her Master of Health Science degree at the University of Toronto in 1995 and began a doctoral program in the Department of Health and Social Behaviour at the Harvard School of Public Health in September.

Robert Astroff, BA'94, recently graduated from Dalhousie University with a Bachelor of Law degree. He is presently pursuing a master of arts degree at the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs in Ottawa.

Kristen Boon, BA'94, MA'96, completed her term as a Canadian Parliamentary Intern in Ottawa. She began her law degree at New York University in September 1997, and plans to specialize in international law.

Stephen D. Borys, PhD'94, is the assistant curator, European art, at the National Gallery of Canada in Ottawa. He was one of 28 chosen from around the world to participate in the Royal Collection Studies Programme at Windsor Castle (England) in September 1997.

Sarah Schrank, BA'94, completed her third year of PhD work in American history at the University of California, San Diego. She is also the vice-president, internal affairs, of the university's graduate student body and an active member of the teaching assistant union movement there.

Trish Snyder, BA'94, was married last summer to **Rob Harris**, BEd'95. They live in Toronto where she works at *Chatelaine* magazine.

Tiffany Welch, BA'94, received a master's degree in mass communications from Boston University, specializing in interactive media. She works for a Toronto company that develops Internet solutions for banks and other corporations.

Elizabeth Wiener, BA'94, BEd'96, teaches grades four and five English at the Hebrew Foundation School in Dollard des Ormeaux, Que. for the last year. On June 23, 1997, she married **Lee Shulkin**, MBA'96.

Graeme Burt, BA'95, is a graduate student in geography at Pennsylvania State University.

Leanne Joanisse, BA'95, completed her master's degree in sociology at Concordia University in April 1997. She is now pursuing her doctorate in sociology at McMaster University.

Deirdre Kenney, BA'95, CertProfFr'96, is managing the commercial leasing department at StairMaster Sports/Medical Products in Seattle.

Bernard A. Machlovitch, BA'95, received a graduate diploma in sports administration, Dean's Honour List, from Concordia University in June 1997 and is now account executive with the Lifestyle Marketing Group in New York City.

David W. Mendelsohn, BA'95, received second place in the Washington University School of Architecture's Japan Weekend Sketch Problem, which asked students to design a mask that reflected their views on architecture.

Andrew H. Pijahn, BA'95, is a manager with Scientific Atlanta in Vancouver.

Sara Grose, BA'96, is working in the entertainment industry in Hollywood.

Therese Ho, BA'96, is working as a part-time newscaster and reporter for CJAD Radio in Montreal.

Ann K. Perry, BA'96, completed her master's thesis in history at Queen's University. She is now a legal intern at Davies, Ward and Beck, in Toronto.

Carmen Sorger, MA'96, and husband **Daniel Brock**, BA'84, BCL'97, LLB'97, had a son, Callum Alexander, on April 19, 1997. She works as a policy analyst at Foreign Affairs in the Peace Building and Democratic Development Division in Ottawa.

Allison Friedman, BA'97, has returned from a two-month medical program in Ghana, West

Africa. She is now bartending and preparing for graduate school.

Pamela Friedman, BA'97, is interning with the Inter-Church Committee for Human Rights in Latin America in Toronto.

Ravind S. Grewal, BA'97, is studying law at Harvard University.

Jennifer Harding, BA'97, is working at Livent Inc., in Toronto, in the sponsorship department.

Bess Joffe, BA'97, is studying law at the University of Toronto.

Amélie Laberge Derome, BA'97, is a freelance translator and editor. She was awarded the Jean E. Launay Medal of Excellence upon graduation from McGill.

Lisa Maria Lackey, BA'97, is engaged to **Philipp Duffy**, BCom'93, LLB'97, and is employed as a customer service officer at Canada Trust.

Heather L. McCauley, BA'97, is at Dalhousie University studying for an MA in English.

Nili Myrth Solomon, BA'97, received a Commonwealth Scholarship to study at University College, London. She plans to obtain a master's degree in medical anthropology.

Taein Yoo, BA'97, is pursuing a master's degree in film at the University of British Columbia.

DENTISTRY

David I. Hirsch, BSc'88, DDS'93, married **Racquel G. Spivak**, BSc(PT)'93, and received a master's degree and certificate in orthodontics from the University of Detroit. He is in private practice in Toronto. He also lectures part-time to undergraduate dental students at the University of Toronto.

EDUCATION

William Klinck, BEd'66, MEd'71, was named a member of the Order of Canada. He has maintained a medical practice and was recognized for his work with the most vulnerable members of society, including battered women and the homeless.

John Killingbeck, MEd'67, was the first anglophone and first educational administrator to be given the Prix Carrière award as part of the Prix d'Excellence de l'Administration Publique 1997, awarded yearly by the province of Quebec. He was the managing director of the Lakeshore School Board, and retired in June 1997.

Louis Kirschner, BEd'74, taught at an elementary school in Quebec City for four years, and is now in his 19th year at the physical education department at Dawson College.

Brian Petersen, BEd'79, is completing his doctorate in educational technology at Concordia University, specializing in systems theory. He is the chief executive officer of Synerproject Inc. He lives in Mission Viejo, California, with his wife and three sons.

Dianne Hartley, BEd'81, MEd '92, has moved to Washington, D.C., with her husband, John Guiniven. She is the assistant director of the honours program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

George Burnett, BEd'85, has been appointed head coach of the Ontario Hockey League's Guelph Storm.

Victoria Jonas, BEd'86, and **Alan Kapelanski**, DipPubAcc'93, have a new baby daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, born August 21, 1997.

Maria Viscosi-Latella, BEd'89, married Richard J. Latella on July 9, 1994. She is teaching kindergarten at Honoré Mercier School, in Montreal.

Gareth Reid, BEd'94, married **Catherine Ferry**, BEd'95, on August 2, 1997. They are both teachers in Prince George, B.C.

Nathalie St. Cyr, BEd'94, enseigne le français langue seconde depuis trois ans à Trafalgar School for Girls. Elle poursuit ses études à temps partiel à l'Université de Montréal à fin d'obtenir une maîtrise en éducation.

Betty Chow, BEd'95, married Daniel Yan on June 22, 1996. She is a full-time instructor with the University of Toronto's School of Continuing Studies in the Intensive English as a Second Language Program.

Catherine Ferry, BEd'95, married **Gareth Reid**, BEd'94, on August 2, 1997. They are both teachers in Prince George, B.C.

Rob Harris, BEd'95, married **Trish Snyder**, BA'94, this summer. They live in Toronto. Rob has spent the last two years teaching on a reserve in northwestern Ont.

Suzan Jette, BEd'95, is teaching grade one at Latuque High School in Latuque, Que.

Tass Paul Bey, DipEd'96, is director of the ESL Summer School at King's-Edgehill School in Nova Scotia.

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Jennifer Pryce, BEd'96, has been working as an exercise instructor – aquatics and land – in and around Montreal.

Bradley Romanek, BEd'96, is teaching a variety of subjects at Trafalgar School for Girls in Montreal. Prior to this, he taught mathematics in Chibougamau, Que., for a year.

ENGINEERING

Cyril J. Tunis, BEng'54, MSc'56, has retired after a 30-year engineering career with IBM and eight years at Pacific Bell in California. He plans to remain in the San Francisco Bay area.

Colin Campbell, BEng'56, a past president of the Engineering Institute of Canada, is now the chair of the Institute's Honours Awards & Fellows Committee and President of Campbell Woodall & Assoc. in Calgary.

Pierre Y. Ducros, BEng'61, was elected to the Board of Directors of Atlantis Communications Inc. He co-founded DMR Group Inc. in 1972 and was the President and Chief Executive for 23 years. He is also a director of Cognos Incorporated, chairman of the Université du Québec, Associate Governor of the Université de Montréal and a member of the Task Force on the Future of the Canadian Financial Services Centre. He was admitted to the Canadian Academy of Engineers in 1994 and is an officer of the Order of Belgium. He lives in Ile des Soeurs, Que.

Arun S. Mujumdar, MEng'68, PhD'71, has been named Honorary Professor by Jiangsu University of Science and Technology, People's Republic of China. He was a keynote speaker at the National Heat Transfer Conference of Japan held in Sendai and held the Tokyo Electric Power Company Chair at Keio University, Yokohama, in May and June 1997.

Brian Fitzgerald, BEng'79, works in the technology transfer department of Shell Canada, based in Alberta.

Craig Downing, BEng'87, is working for Dipix Technologies in Ottawa.

Steven Lightfoot, BEng'88, works in technical support for Pratt & Whitney Canada Inc., based in Montreal.

Mark Gerstein, BEng'93, received an MBA degree with distinction from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He is a real estate banker for Morgan Stanley & Co. in New York.

Martin Theriault, BEng'93, has moved to Dallas, Tex., where he is market manager, secondary electronics, for Air Liquide.

Joanne West, BEng'93, is the environmental supervisor at Avenor's Gold River pulp mill in B.C. She and her husband, Brian, had their first child, Scott, in May 1997.

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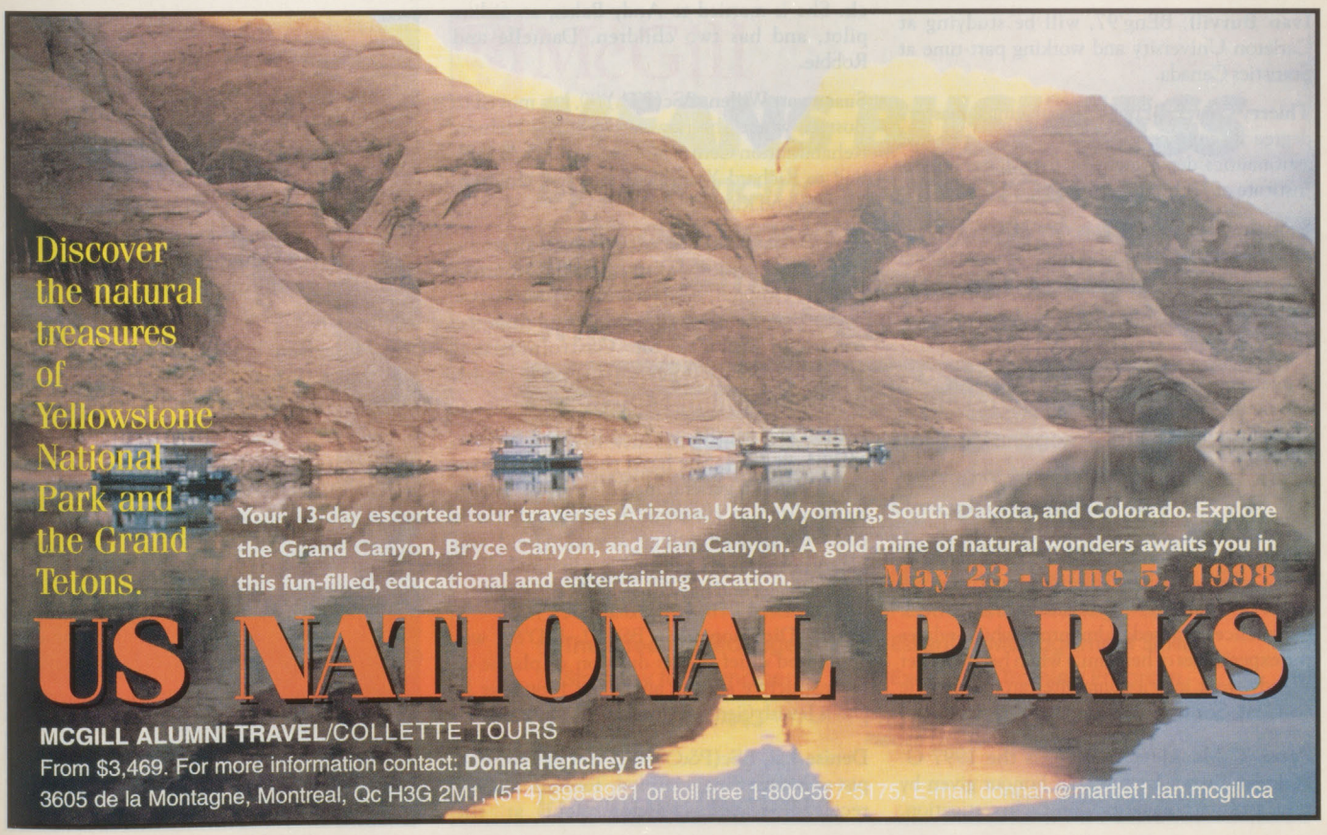

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Marc A. Baratta, MEng'95, worked for two years s a design engineer at Northern Telecom in Otawa. He obtained his P Eng licence in 1996.He is currently pursuing an MBA at Cornll University, Johnson School of Management, in Ithaca, N.Y.

Mitch Ingham, BEng'95, is enrolled in a master's degre program at the Massachusetts Institute of Techiology in the Department of Aeronautics and /stronautics. He is doing research on the next eneration of space telescopes.

Douglas McMahon, BEng'95, is a junior engineer for Rvalair Inc., based in Drummondville, Que.

Marc Riedel, BEng'95, is pursuing his PhD in the Prallel & Distributed Computation Laboratoryat the California Institute of Technology.

Alex Davidkhanian, BEng'96, is working at Hatc Associates in Toronto. As an engineer consultant, he is responsible for the developmentand marketing of new technologies in the iron nd steel industry.

Leo Grepin, BEng'96, is working towards a master's legree in aeronautics and astronautics at the Nassachusetts Institute of Technology.

David O. Ohayon, BEng'96, has returned to Morreal after eight months of training in Cleveland. He is working as a sales engineer.

Chris Sauvé, BEng'96, is pursuing his master's degre in chemical engineering in McGill's Pulp and 'aper Research Centre.

Ivar Burvill, BEng'97, will be studying at Carlton University and working part-time at Statstics Canada.

Thierry Casiez, BEng'97, is pursuing a master's degre in engineering at the aeronautics and astronautics department of the Massachusetts Instute of Technology.

Scot Ingham, BEng'97, is now living in Sault Ste.Marie, Ont., and working at Algoma Steel Inc.as a quality engineer.

Maia Pia Longo, BEng'97, is an assistant transportation engineer for CANAC International.

Angelina Mehta, BEng'97, is with the International Olympic Committee of Canada as a "graduate-in-training."

HEALTH SCIENCES

Muty Mathewson, Dip(P&OT)'54, has writtena book entitled *Courage after Coma: A Farily's Journey*, published by Uneek Experiences Limited, Edmonton, which relates theexperiences of her family when her daughter Wendy went into a coma after an automobile accident. She lives in Edmonton.

Peter T. Macklem, MD'56, is the 1997 G. Macolm Brown Lecturer, an honour given by theCanadian Society for Clinical Investigation. He also received their 1997 Distinguished Service Award.

Hilary Dunbar Bethell, BOccTher'71, is managing director of Carib Rehab, the medical supply and equipment company she founded with husband **Patrick Bethell**, DipAgr'67. She is owner-manager of Friendship Occupational Therapy Clinic and offers a clinical placement for McGill occupational therapy students. She and Patrick live in Barbados, West Indies.

Lawrence T. L. Wong, PhD'71, is head of the physiology/pharmacology group at Hemosol Inc. He was previously a research scientist in Ottawa and at the University of Toronto.

Jean Latrielle, MD'73, is involved in the establishment of a breast cancer unit in the McGill Centre for Translational Research in Cancer. It will be funded in part by proceeds from the fourth annual Montreal Breast Cancer Foundation's *Dans le Jardin* raffle-cocktail party, held in June.

Christopher Feindel, BEng'68, MD'76, surgical director of the heart-transplant program at Toronto Hospital, has developed a technique which keeps donor hearts to be used in heart transplant surgery healthy longer. It is a variation of a process known as perfusion – blood from the donor is passed through the heart at a particular rate.

Diane Ranger, BN'76, received her master's of science degree in education and is teaching French immersion at the primary and junior levels. She is married to Andy Baker, an airline pilot, and has two children, Danielle and Robbie.

Susan van Wijlen, BSc(PTh)'80, has moved to Boston, where she now works at the Hebrew Rehabilitation Centre for the Aged. She is married to Richard Yeager and has two children, Andrew and Katie.

Alan Barkun, MD'83, MSc'85, the incoming University Divisional Director for the Montreal General Hospital, has received a Wilson-Cook Endoscopic Research Scholar Award from the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy and the American Digestive Health Foundation.

Aline Levi, MD'84, married **Richard Swieca**, MD'84, in 1984. She has a paediatric practice and is chief of general medicine at the Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital in Montreal. He is chief of ophthalmology at Valleyfield and Fleury hospitals in Quebec. They live in Dollard des Ormeaux and have five children.

Tassos Dionisopoulos, BSc'81, MD'85, was appointed chief of the division of plastic & reconstructive surgery at the Sir Mortimer B. Davis Jewish General Hospital, in Montreal.

Denise Lai, BSc(P&OT)'92, is a physiotherapist at Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto. She has received a status appointment at the Department of Physical Therapy, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto.

Sharon Booth, BSc(P&OT)'93, is working at the Douglas Hospital in Montreal.

Mary (Cavis) Dietrich, BSc(P&OT)'93, is working part-time at two jobs, psychogeriatrics and hand-splinting. She resides in Kitchener, Ont.

Daniel Dubé, BSc(P&OT)'93, travaille au Commission de la Santé et de la Sécurité du Travail (CLSC) Ste. Rose ainsi qu'au C.A. Laval.

Nathalie Gagnon, BSc(P&OT)'93, was married in October 1996. She lives in LaSalle, Que.

Pascal Gauthier, BSc(P&OT)'93, travail en médicine physique adulte et gériatrique à l'Hôpital Anna Laberge.

Vivianne Grégoire, BSc(P&OT)'93, is working in geriatrics at the Centre d'Hébergement St. Georges and the Régie Régionale de la Santé et des Services Sociaux (Montréal Centre).

Lilian Heimbach, BSc'89, BSc(P&OT)'93, moved to Seattle, Washington, and is working in geriatrics.

Siu San Kang, BSc(P&OT)'93, is working with seniors in Foyer Rousselot in Quebec. She lives in Montreal.

Lise Lafleur, BSc(P&OT)'93, travaille en paediatrie à Sherbrooke et poursuit ses études en gérontologie. Elle et son époux Steve ont un petit garçon de 7 mois.

Heather Lambert, BSc(P&OT)'93, has published an article in *P&OT in Geriatrics*, volume 14(4).

Annette Lunkenbein, BSc(P&OT)'93, is working at the Institut Universitaire de Gériatrie de Sherbrooke in geriatrics.

Julie Morin, BSc(P&OT)'93, is working at l'Hôtel-Dieu de St.-Hyacinthe treating patients with work-related injuries and head injuries. She is pursuing a certificate program in Health and Safety.

Tricia Morrison, BSc(P&OT)'93, was married in October 1996 and is living in Ottawa. She works in vocational rehabilitation (insurance industry).

Janice (Goodfellow) Pesant, BSc'90, BSc(P&OT)'93, is looking after her three-year-old daughter Gabrielle and year-old son Antoine. She plans to return to work, switching from geriatrics to paediatrics.

Marlene Rosenbloom, BSc(P&OT)'93, works with seniors in a Jewish nursing home in Quebec. She has a 14-month-old son, Shayne.

Ira Silverstein, BSc(P&OT)'93, works at the Commission de la Santé et de la Sécurité du Travail (CLSC) Norman Bethune in Montreal.

Racquel G. Spivak, BSc(PT)'93, married **David I. Hirsch**, BSc'88, DDS'93, and worked

as a physical therapist at the Henry Ford Hospital, in Michigan. She now lives in Toronto and is employed at the Toronto Rehabilitation Centre.

Sean R. Thomas, MD'93, is taking over a family practice in his hometown of Chilliwack, British Columbia.

Cathy (Tassone) Tobiasen, BSc(P&OT)'93, was married in September 1996. She lives in Vancouver where she works in acute care / neurology.

Tara Whelton, BSc(P&OT)'93, had a baby girl, Daria Nicole, in September 1996. She has since returned to her job at Ste. Anne's Hospital, in Quebec.

Andrew Kensley, BSc(PTh)'96, is living in Port Charlotte, Fla., and working in a sports physical therapy clinic.

Mélanie Savard-Côté, BSc(PTh)'96, has worked in a hospital setting in ortho and geriatric at La Tuque, Que. She is now studying medicine at l'Université de Montréal.

Lisa-Lune St-Jean Lemieux, BSc(PTh)'96, is working for an out-patient facility for Health South in Lake Worth, Fla.

Marie-Josée Guy, BN'97, is a nurse at the Montreal Children's Hospital.

Jason A. Knox, BSc(PTh)'97, is employed in acute neurology.

LAW

Julius Briskin, BCL'41, was honoured for his assistance in the development of the McGill University Children's Hospital Research Institute at the Institute's 30th anniversary celebration. He lives in Montreal.

E. Leo Kolber, BA'49, BCL'52, has been elected President of the Centre Board of the Sir Mortimer B. Davis Jewish General Hospital, Montreal.

W. David Angus, BCL'62, is a member of the Advisory Board of Aon Reed Stenhouse, a senior partner in the law firm Stikeman, Elliot, a member of the Canadian Senate, and Chairman of the Montreal General Hospital.

Pierre Fournier, BCL'67, was named President of the Montreal Bar Association for 1997-98.

Jeremy H. Reitman, BCL'69, was appointed director of Provigo Inc. He is also the president of Reitmans (Canada) Limited, and lives in Montreal.

John Swidler, BCom'65, BCL'69, was appointed managing partner at Richter, Usher & Vineberg Chartered Accountants in October 1997. He is married to **Vickie Endleman Swidler**, BA'66, and has three sons. His son Todd is a student in the McGill Faculty of Management and scheduled to graduate in 1998.

Robert Razienne, BCL'80, has joined the firm of Davies, Ward & Beck as a partner practising in the tax area. He lives in Toronto.

J. Stuart Russell, BA'77, BCL'81, LLB'82, a lecturer in the Macquarie University School of law in Sydney, Australia, has been appointed a part-time member of the Refugee Tribunal in Sydney.

Alan B. Gold, LLD'84, former chief justice of the Quebec Superior Court, was inducted into the Academy of Great Montrealers in June 1997. He is a senior counsel with the law firm Goodman, Phillips & Vineberg and vice-president of the Société de la Place des Arts de Montréal.

Linda Rychel, BA'86, LLB'89, is a counsel with the Department of Justice, Legal Operations Sector.

George A. Atis, BCL'91, LLB'91, has joined the Toronto-based Rider Group of Companies as Director of Legal Affairs. His son, Jason Jonathan, was born on April 2, 1997.

Nancy Girard, BSc(PTh)'89, BCL'94, is working as a physiotherapist, but is thinking about pursuing a career in law.

Jill R. Presser, BA'90, LLB'94, is doing criminal defence work with the Ontario law firm Pinkotsky & Lockyer.

Robert E. Juhasz, LLB'95, has joined the Amsterdam office of Coopers and Lybrand as legal counsel in the international banking and securities group. He is also branch contactfor the McGill Alumni Association in the Netherlands.

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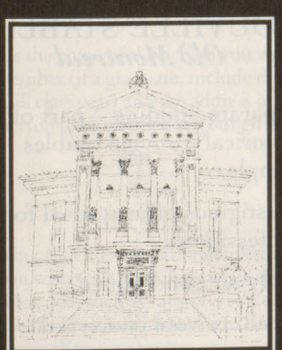

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Christian D.R. Beaulieu, LLM'96, received an honorary degree (LLM) from the London School of Economics in 1996. He is legal counsel for the civil law section of the Justice Department of Canada, and lives in Hull, Que.

David Cohen, LLB'96, finished a clerkship with the Honourable Mr. Justice G.V. La Forest at the Supreme Court of Canada. He will be attending Harvard Law School to pursue a master's degree in law.

Declan Hamill, BCL'96, LLB'96, started as manager, regulatory law and policy, at AT&T Canada Long Distance, in July 1997. He married **Kathryn Jepson**, BCL'96, LLB'96, on August 9, 1997.

Antoine Leduc, LLB'96, is a stagiaire at Mackenzie Gervais in Montreal.

Noah Stern, LLB'96, is a mergers and acquisitions lawyer at Skadden, Arps, in New York.

Adam Atlas, BA'93, BCL'97, LLB'97, graduated in June 1997 as class valedictorian. He was also awarded the prize for best individual pleader at the Canadian Final Round of the French language Concours de procès simulé en droit international Charles Rousseau held in Montreal in February 1997.

Daniel Brock, BA'94, BCL'97, LLB'97, and his wife **Carmen Sorger**, MA'96, had a son, Callum Alexander, on April 19, 1997. Daniel works in the International Trade Law division of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in Ottawa. He is also press secretary to the Minister of the Environment.

Louis-Simon Ferland, BCL'97, won the Prix d'Excellence Guy Lafleur, a $6,000 scholarship awarded annually to the Quebec university hockey player who best combines academics with athletics.

LIBRARY/INFORMATION STUDIES

Cairine Wilson, MLS'77, was appointed vice-president, marketing, for Ontario-based EDS Canada.

Judy MacFarlane, BA'77, MLS'80, is director of business information services for Price Waterhouse.

MANAGEMENT

Warren Chippindale, BCom'49, LLD'95, was appointed Officer of the Order of Canada. He lives in Mont Tremblant, Que.

Bill Gartshore, BCom'49, and his wife, Shirley Parkinson, were awarded the Certificate of Merit for their volunteer contributions to the community of St. Bruno, Que.

Herb Gray, BCom'52, was sworn in as Deputy Prime Minister of Canada in June 1997. He has been Windsor West's Member of Parliament since 1963.

Patrick J. Keenan, BCom'54, CA'57, was elected as a Director of TVX Gold Inc. He is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Keewhit Investments Ltd., a director of the Ireland Fund of Canada, and a Trustee of the Ontario Jockey Club. He lives in Toronto.

Robert G. Coffey, BCom'56, retired as vice-chairman of KPMG, a Canadian public accounting firm, in 1994. In 1997 he formed Kinghaven Capital Corporation, a private merchant bank, as advisor and coach.

R. James McCoubrey, BCom'66, was named Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation.

Kenneth Wightman, BCom'68, MCom'72, was appointed Vice-President Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Twin Gold Corporation. He makes his home in Unionville, Ont.

Bruce Jenkins, BCom'69, is a partner with Deloitte & Touche in Toronto and was elected president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.

Peter Chodos, BCom'72, is executive vice-president, corporate development, of Philip Services Corporation, an integrated resource recovery and industrial services company. He lives in Ontario.

Marcel Roy, BCom'77, DipPubAcct'79, was appointed senior vice-president of the Corporate Recovery Group of Price Waterhouse. He lives in Montreal.

Mark Ellwood, BCom'78, published a book entitled *A Complete Waste of Time: Tales and Tips About Getting More Done*. He is a productivity expert in Toronto.

Michael Conway, BCom'79, DipPubAcct'80, was appointed vice-president and comptroller of BCE Inc. in June 1997. He is also treasurer and a director of the executive committee of the Montreal Children's Hospital.

Rex McLennan, MBA'79, was appointed senior vice-president and chief financial officer of Vancouver-based Placer Dome Inc.

André Ewert, MBA'80, has joined Whalen Beliveau & Associates in Montreal as an investment adviser. After graduating from McGill, he completed studies in accounting and law at the Université du Québec à Montréal. His daughter, Pamela Alex, was born in 1996.

Debra Hendler, BCom'83, DipPubAcct'84, was co-chairperson of the Israel Cancer Research Fund's annual gala, held on June 4, 1997, at Place des Arts.

Effy Papadatos, BCom'84, CertAcct'87, is assistant controller for Nivel Inc., a pharmaceutical distributing company. She lives in Montreal.

France Bélanger, BCom'85, completed her PhD in Information Systems at the University of South Florida and is assistant professor at the Virginia Polytechnic and State University in Blacksburg, Virginia. She also started a new international management and tourism consulting business with her husband, Pierre.

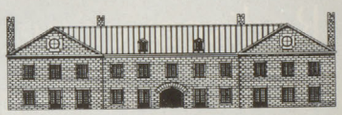
Dania Loran Lebovics, BCom'85, DipPubAcct'87, is the author and publisher of a book for expectant and new mothers entitled *Kiddy Chronicles, My Very First Biography from Pre-natal to Preschool*, distributed in America by Firefly Books Ltd. She has three sons with husband **Daniel Lebovics**, BCom'85, DipPubAcct'87, and lives in Thornhill, Ontario.

Laura Rosenthal, BCom'85, is Director of Alumni Relations at the University of Michigan, where she lives with her husband, **Robert Schertzer,** BSc'83, an ophthalmologist and medical informatics specialist at the University of Michigan's Kellogg Eye Centre.

Sylvain Bouchard, MBA'86, is president of Groupe Laperrière & Verrault Inc./Black Clawson-Kennedy Pulp and Paper Machine Group Inc. He lives in Montreal.

Jeffrey M. Singer, BCom'86, MBA'90, is an information technology consultant with Los Angeles-based Ernst & Young LLP.

Ronald Wolf, BCom'86, is associate partner of Andersen Consulting, based in New York.



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Steven Wild, BCom'87, and his wife, Suzanne, had a daughter, Victoria, on February 22, 1997. He is a systems consultant at CIBC in Toronto.

Kevin Beckles, BCom'91, opened a company, Prestige Marketing Agency, in Barbados, W.I.

Jean Sébastien Vaast, MBA'91, is working for Électricité de France in the quality department of its engineering and construction division since 1993.

Alan Kapelanski, DipPubAcc'93, and **Victoria Jonas**, BEd'86, had a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth, on August 21, 1997.

Andrew Mens, MBA'93, recently earned a promotion and has moved to the corporate headquarters for CIBA Vision in the Atlanta area.

Marwan Nicolas Firzli, BCom'94, is working as a real estate analyst with GRA, a subsidiary of Goldman Sachs, in Paris.

Kelly L. Boon, BCom'95, works in labour relations in Ontario's largest nursing home chain, based in Guelph.

Stefan Hawes, BCom'95, is an account executive at Palmer Jarvis Communications in Vancouver.

Jill Kassner, BCom'95, is working at Royal Bank of Canada Dominion Securities in the department of mergers and acquisitions.

David Oh, BCom'95, married **Beverly Williams**, BSc'96, in Halifax in August 1997.

Sunny T. H. Chu, BCom'96, is working for Andersen Consulting.

Dave Frankland, BCom'96, and **Raj Waghmare**, BSc'94, are two of three co-founders of a small software company, Virtualis, in Nepean, Ontario.

Gail King, BCom'96, is pursuing a master's of social work degree at Barry University in Florida.

Jennifer McCaughey, BCom'96, is a business analyst for the Deloitte & Touche Consulting Group.

Homam S. Michael, MBA'96, is working for Ontario Hydro at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station.

Knut O. Nesse, MBA'96, was appointed Trade Commissioner for Norway with the Norwegian Trade Council in Toronto.

Nicolas A. Pechet, BCom'96, is a business analyst for Braxton Associates, Deloitte & Touche Consulting Group. He lives in Montreal.

Stephanie Shapiro, BCom'96, is an associate with the Boston Consulting Group, in Toronto.

Daniel Shiff, BCom'96, recently married Amy Pesner. He is working for Goldman, Sachs & Co. as a salesperson with the U.S. equity institutional salesforce.

Lee Shulkin, MBA'96, married **Elizabeth Wiener**, BA'94, BEd'96, on June 23, 1997.

Tim Smith, BCom'96, is back in Melbourne, Australia, pursuing a master's in economics at Monash University.

Rob Uditsky, BCom'96, is auditing at Richter Usher Vineberg.

Irina Blumer, MBA'97, is promotion manager, internet and special projects, in the Marketing Communications Department of Merck Frosst Canada.

Rita Kibrite, BCom'97, is following the CA program at McGill and training at KPMG.

MUSIC

Robert Silverman, BMus'64, has released three new CDs since completing his term as Director of the School of Music of the University of British Columbia. He has also passed the half-way mark in his eight-concert cycle devoted to the 32 sonatas of Beethoven, with the completion date scheduled for December 16, 1998, the composer's birth date. His website is www.sloth.com/silverman.

N. De Vries, BMus'70, is a musician, performer and educator in New Brunswick and has 8 bands.

Maria Calderisi Bryce, BMus'72, MMA'76, Head of the Printed Music Collection of the National Library of Canada since 1976, retired from the Music Division in March of 1995. She did not retire until she concluded her *summa* and *terminus* passion: a centenary exhibition and comprehensive inventory preparation of the Percy Scholes collection.

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David H. Davis, LMus'75, is conductor of the Hamilton Children's Choir, which toured the Maritimes and France and is preparing for a tour of Britain. The choir has three cassettes to its credit and its first compact disc was released in November 1997. He has had more than 20 works published.

Jessica Halpern, BMus'88, is a free-lance translator and writer and recently revived the second edition of Jill Stainforth's *A Survival Guide to Milan*, Informer Publications. She was married in September 1996 to Giovanni Busato.

Karen Crowe, BMus'93, moved to Calgary after performing in Japan for three months. She released her debut jazz CD, *Gush Gush*, in 1996 and is working on her second CD.

David McCarthy, BMus'94, married **Sherry Elias**, BMus'94, in August 1995, and is working in Rochester, N.Y. He is finishing his master's thesis in music theory. She received her master's degree in music from the Eastman School of Music in New York State in 1996.

Gillian Keith, BMus'95, is enrolled in a two-year post graduate program in voice at the Royal Academy of Music in London, England.

Clément Joubert, BMus'96, a fondé, l'été de sa graduation, le camp de jour de Conservatoire de musique de McGill.

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Rev. Gordon Fresque, BTh'80, retired at the end of October 1997, and moved to the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Manse in Kingston, Ont.

Rev. Ralph T. Leavitt, BTh'94, is the new Rector of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Knowlton, Que.

Mark Hoogsteen, BTh'97, was ordained on June 22, 1997. He moved to Port Carling, Ont. with his wife, Kathy, and their new son, Timothy Joseph.

SCIENCE

Nathan Keyfitz, BSc'34, LLD'84, is back at Harvard, as Professor Emeritus, and living in Cambridge after 10 years in Vienna.

Samuel Solomon, BSc'47, MSc'51, PhD'53, has been inducted into the Order of Canada. He is director of the McGill Centre for Research on Endocrine Mechanisms. He resides in Westmount, Que.

Alix (Irwin) Cowie, BSc'50, lives and gardens in Victoria, B.C., where she has become active in the theatre scene. She recently appeared in a 15-performance run of Michel Tremblay's *Les Belles Soeurs*, at Langham Court Theatre, in the company of two other McGill graduates, **Frances Harber**, BA'70, and **Karen Schafer**, BA'81, BSW'85, MSW'87.

Norman S. Endler, BSc'53, MSc'54, was awarded the 1997 Canadian Physiological Association Donald O. Hebb Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology as a Science in June 1997. He also presented an address on *Stress, Anxiety and Coping: The Multidimensional Interaction Model.* He is a research professor at York University.

Petronella Clark, BSc'62, has spent most of the last 35 years in Africa in various teaching positions. She has two children, Roger, who was born in 1974, and Sarah, who is three years younger.

Richard Deckelbaum, BSc'63, is Director of the Institute of Human Nutrition at Columbia University. He is also a professor of Pediatrics at Columbia University and a former flying doctor in Zambia. Recently, Richard helped create a new medical degree program in International Health with the Ben Gurion University of the Negev.

David Mulder, MSc'65, has been inducted into the Order of Canada. He is surgeon-in-chief of the Montreal General Hospital, chairman of the Department of Surgery at McGill and the medical director of the McGill Sports Centre. He lives in Westmount, Que.

Cho-Fai Wong, MSc'65, completed his PhD at the University of Saskatchewan in 1970, and is working at the Queensland University of Technology, Australia. He lives in Brisbane.

Gerald R. Buzzell, BSc'67, MSc'69, is professor of anatomy at Kuwait University.

Martin H. Poleski, BSc'69, MD'73, is Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of California, San Diego. He is Associate Director of the Barbara and Wilbur Stroh Inflammatory Bowel Disease Centre at Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation in La Jolla. Martin is married to **Barbara Winfield**, BSW'71, MSW'72.

Nick Di Pietro, BSc'72, MSc'75, has joined AGRA Moneco Terra Nova Offhore Petroleum Development as Deputy Mechanical Engineer Supervisor in London, England. He and his wife, **Olga Di Pietro**, BA'74, have three sons.

René J. Lévesque, BSc'75, was appointed Officer of the Order of Canada. He lives in Outremont, Que.

Joe Casola, BSc'77, has been appointed vice-president sales of the Montreal-based DMR Consulting Group.

Elizabeth Lachendro, BSc'77, gave birth to triplets: Tova, Stella, and Edwn. She and her family reside in Montreal.

Jon Adler, BSc'78, is director of information systems operations and technology for Cisco Systems in San Jose, Calif.

Nathalie Zinger, BSc'81, is the winner of the 1997 *Mérite environnemental* award in the environmental group category. She is the Quebec Director for World Wildlife Fund Canada.

Robert Schertzer, BSc'83, completed his residency in ophthalmology in 1994 and has been a glaucoma and medical informatics specialist at the University of Michigan's Kellogg Eye Centre since 1996. His wife, **Laura Rosenthal**, BCom'85, is Director of Alumni Relations at the University.

Joseph R. La Leggia, BSc'85, was appointed president and chief operating officer of AT&T Capital Canada Inc. He makes his home in Rivière-des-Prairies, Que.

Lorraine Laviolette, BSc'86, MBA'94, has been appointed Senior Representative for Quebec with the Bank of Canada.

Liana Melchiorre, BSc'87, holds the position of "Geowriter" for Emerging Africa Gold Inc., a gold exploration company based in Montreal. She lives in St. Bruno, Que.

Margaret Benoit, BSc'88, is an adjunct professor at California State University San Marcos. She is also a full-time author and wrote *The Crime Files*, published by McGraw. She has a master's degree in forensic science from National University, San Diego.

Sophia Nadur, BSc'88, graduated with an MBA from Warwick University in July 1996. She is a management consultant at Price Waterhouse.

Paul-François Paradis, BSc'88, a accepté l'offre de la National Aeronautics and Space Administration d'être un CalTech Postdoctoral Scholar au Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Kaoru Takeuch, MSc'88, PhD'92, recently wrote *Kenji Miyazawa, Mysterious Fantasia of the Stars*, published by Kawade Shobo Shinsha, 1996. He has translated John Horgan's *The End of Science*, published in 1997.

Ravi Agarwala, BSc'90, graduated with a medical degree from the University of Ottawa. He is a fellow in critical care medicine at the National Institutes of Health.

Bart Manning, BSc'91, received his PhD in neuroscience from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia, in 1996. He was awarded a threeyear postdoctoral fellowship from the Medical Research Council of Canada.

Tammy Clifford BSc'92, MScA'93, is working on her doctorate n epidemiology at the University of Western Ontario. On May 16, 1997, she married Greg Sheldice.

Peter Chu, BSc'93, obtained his master's degree in gene therapy research from the University of Toronto, and is on a full fellowship at the University of California, San Diego, doing his PhD in biomedical sciences.

Daniel Robitaille, MSc'93, received a master's degree from the earth and ocean department of the University of Victoria. He is a computer system administrator for the Climate Modelling Laboratory at the University of Victoria.

Seth Toback, BSc'93, graduated from Tufts Medical School in Boston and is a paediatric resident at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. He and fellow classmates **Genevieve Beauchemin**, BSc'93, **Kevin Busche**, BSc'93, **Sue Freitag**, BSc'93, **Martin Guibord**, BSc'93, **Kasandra Joss**, BSc'93, BA'95, buried a time capsule on the McGill campus which will be opened in 25 years.

Irene Karantanis, BSc'94, married Tony Haakman in August 1996. She is finishing her master's degree in speech-language pathology at the University of Alberta.

Lidia Kasprzak, BSc'94, MSc'96, works as an hereditary cancer genetics counsellor at McGill's Department of Human Genetics and the Montreal General Hospital and the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Chan Yong Lee, PhD'94, is an assistant professor at the Eulji Medical College in Taejon, South Korea.

Robert Spekkens, BSc'94, is pursuing his PhD in physics at the University of Toronto.

Raj Waghmare, BSc'94, and **Dave Frankland**, BCom'96, are two of three co-founders of a small software company, Virtualis, based in Nepean, Ontario.

G. Andrew Work, BSc'94, is working as sponsorship manager with the McGill Society of Hong Kong Executive.

Catherine Agbay, MSc'95, is a computer software designer. She has relocated from Nortel in Ottawa to Nortel in Research Triangle Park, N.C.

John Murray Henderson, BSc'95, MSc'97, works in Atmospheric and Environmental Research, in Cambridge, Mass.

Linda Lieberman, BSc'95, began the PhD program in microbiology at Ohio State University in September.

Matthew Carr, BSc'96, is pursuing a PhD in atmospheric sciences at the University of Washington.

Nathan L. Currier, BSc'96, will be starting his PhD program in December, researching erythraleukemic tumours through pharmaceutical agent administration in mice to augment natural killer cell activity and proliferation.

Jana Fuska, BSc'96, will be completing her master's degree with the McGill Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology in 1998.

Andrea Jakob, MSc'96, is working at the ASTRA Research Centre as a research assistant in the department of pharmacology. She was married in June 1996, and lives in Nun's Island, Que.

Maria Kalergis, MSc'96, has been awarded the 1997 Dietitians of Canada Memorial Fund Graduate Scholarship. She is pursuing doctoral studies at McGill.

Gil Kimel, BSc'96, is working on his master's in the Department of Medicine at the University of British Columbia.

Athena Manganas, BSc'96, is starting a master's degree in criminology at Université de Montréal.

Evelyne Pytka, BSc'96, received the 1997 DC Undergraduate award from the Dietitians of Canada. She is the author of *Almonds and Raisins and Mostly Muffins: Choice Snacks for Healthy Eating.*

Fiona Reid, BSc'96, is working for a high-tech instrumentation company in Concord, Ontario. In May 1998, she will start an MBA program in science and technology at Queen's University.

Howard Tong, BSc'96, is studying dentistry at the University of Toronto.

Beverly Williams, BSc'96, married **David Oh**, BCom'95, in Halifax in August.

Farooq Zahir, BSc'96, is pursuing a graduate diploma in Public Accountancy at McGill. He is working at Canadian National Railways.

Sandra Carriero, BSc'97, is pursuing a PhD in organic chemistry at Yale University.

Carolyn Cummins, BSc'97, will be attending the University of California, San Francisco, to pursue a PhD in pharmaceutical chemistry.

Paul Steven Giacomini, BSc'97, is attending medical school at the University of Toronto.

Spiros Karigiannis, BSc'97, is studying for a PhD in pure mathematics at Harvard University.

Jeff Kwong, BSc'97, is attending the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto.

Xu Lin, BSc'97, is working at Revenue Canada and pursuing a master's degree in mathematics and computer science at the University of Ottawa.

Annie Prud'homme-Genereux, BSc'97, is pursuing graduate studies in biochemistry at the University of British Columbia.

SOCIAL WORK

Dorothy Costom, BA'61, MSW'63, was awarded a doctorate from the School of Health and Human Services of Columbia Pacific University. Her dissertation was entitled *Self-Esteem and Nurturance of Birth Culture in Adopting Parents.*

Steve M. Solomon, MSW'79, was named executive director of the Jewish Family Services of central Maryland.

Karen Schafer, BA'81, BSW'85, MSW'87, has relocated to Victoria B.C. and begun a new private psychotherapy practice. On the recreational side, she acted in a production of Michel Tremblay's *Les Belles Soeurs*, at Langham Court Theatre, in March, along with two other McGill graduates, **Alix Cowie**, BSc'50, and **Frances Harber**, BA'70.

Sylvie Spénard, BSW'93, is working at l'Hôpital Rivière-des-Prairies in pédopsychiatrie.

Arlene Sternthal, BSW'95, is a speech pathologist in Montreal. Her three children, Adam, Ian and Rebecca, graduated from elementary, high school and CEGEP respectively.

Heather Astroff, BSW'96, recently graduated from New York University with an MSW in clinical counselling. She works at Roosevelt Hospital in New York City.

Stephanie Raby, BSW'96, works for the Montreal General Hospital in the Immune Deficiency Treatment Centre.

John Thomas Compassi, BSW'97, is studying at the Université du Québec à Montréal for a diploma in issues related to death, grieving, and support for families and loved ones.

CORRECTION

In the Spring '97 issue we listed the degrees held by **Elizabeth Szeremeta** incorrectly. Ms. Szeremeta's degrees are: BMus'76, BA'77, LMus'77, CertProfFr'79, LLB'82, Dip. (Air & Space Law)'83, BCL'84, LLM'84.

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THE 1920s

Samuel B. Franklin, BCom'23, at Los Angeles in March 1997.

Edward Cousins Hague, BSc'23, at Montreal on July 21, 1997.

Leah (Figler) Bauman, DipEd'24, at Montreal on August 19, 1997.

Harry Gifford Marpole, BCom'24, at Victoria on August 23, 1997.

Queenie (Klineberg) Meyerovitch, BA'24, at Montreal on June 27, 1997.

Edmund Botterell Fry, BSc'25, at Agincourt, Ont., on May 31, 1997.

Donald Stewart Thurber, MD'25, at Pompano Beach, Fla., on May 31, 1997.

Capt. George Andrew Woollcombe, BCom'25, at Huntsville, Ont., on July 20, 1997.

Edith Murray Creighton, MA'26, at Halifax in June 1994.

Mabel P. (Gilman) Leavitt, BA'26, at Ashford, Conn., on March 4, 1995.

Charles T. Townsend, MSc'26, at Berkeley, Calif., on June 29, 1997.

Leo Conrad Laporte, BSc'28, at Montreal on July 11, 1997.

Reiben Frank Reider, BSc'28, MD'32, DipPubHealth'33, at Sun City, Ariz., on January 19, 1994.

Hugh Stuart Sutherland, MSc'29, PhD'31, at Montreal on June 12, 1997.

THE 1930s

Ruth Margaret Low, BA'30, at Montreal on May 26, 1997.

Helen P. (Bell) Wood, BA'30, at Lunenberg, N.S., on April 26, 1997.

George Frederick Clarke, BSc'31, BEng'35, at Jamaica on June 30, 1997.

T.R. Wearing (Jean Dickenson), BA'31, at Qualicum Beach, B.C., on May 25, 1997.

Phil Carrier, BCom'32, at Etobicoke, Ont., on July 5, 1997.

John H. Schloen, BEng'32, at Montreal on August 6, 1997.

Katherine (Mackenzie) Gordon, BA'33, at Toronto on September 6, 1997.

Louise Lefebvre, BLS'33, at Montreal on June 30, 1997.

Wilfred A. Blais, MD'35, at Pittsfield, Md., on May 8, 1997.

Mildred Jean (Hadwin) Milligan, BA'35, at Montreal on July 3, 1997.

Priscilla Reid, BLS'35, BA'34, at Guelph, Ont., on June 2, 1997.

Helen (Henderson) Cargin, DipEd'36, at Huntsville, Ont., on July 31, 1997.

Fergus C. Eaglesham, MD'36, at Weyburn, Sask., on December 31, 1996.

Bert Exelrod, BEng'37, at Highland Park, Ill., on January 2, 1997.

Harold Yeo, MD'37, at Prince Edward Island on July 24, 1997.

James W. Cameron, BEng'39, at Calgary on August 6, 1997.

Sidney Deans, BSc'39, PhD'42, at Montreal on August 17, 1997.

David Fisher, BA'39, at Town of Mount Royal, Que., on December 1, 1995.

Robert Walsham Herring, BA'39, at Burlington, Ont., on July 24, 1997.

Col. Albert Mendelsohn, BEng'39, on November 10, 1995.

Colin R. Rudd, BA'39, at Cobourg, Ont., on March 28, 1997.

Rhoda Gordon (Henderson) Swann, BA'39, at Pointe Claire, Que., on July 18, 1997.

Katherine Elizabeth Weeks, BA'39, at Ottawa on May 23, 1997.

D. Mackay Whitelaw, MD'39, at Vancouver on November 16, 1996.

THE 1940s

Jacques Felix de Gaspé Beaubien, BSc'40, MD'40, DipPsyc'49, at Hudson, Que., on July 22, 1997.

Mercy P. Kellogg, BA'40, at New York City on June 29, 1997.

Leonard Paul Babich, BSc'41, at Bainsville, Ont., on August 5, 1997.

Robert W. Holmes, BEng'41, at Newport, R.I., on May 17, 1997.

Sydney Segal, BSc(Agr)'41, at Toronto on June 21, 1997.

Rev. C.R. Wood, MSc'41, at Ottawa on April 30, 1997.

Laurence Edwin Copleston, BSc'42, at Mississauga, Ont., on July 24, 1997.

Earl Huntley Smith, BCom'42, BA'47, at Oakville, Ont., on August 2, 1997.

Edith (Chalmers) Fletcher, BSc'43, MSc'45, at Montreal on July 20, 1997.

Frank Oswald Gonzales, BSc'44, at St. Joseph, Trinidad-Tobago, on April 13, 1996.

Clement Fortin, BCom'45, at Granby, Que., on May 17, 1997.

Stephen H. Weyman, MD'45, at Hampton, N.B., on June 10, 1997.

Gordon H. Balcome, BEng'47, at Pointe Claire, Que., on May 31, 1997

Ian Bryce Chenoweth, BCom'47, at Montreal on July 11, 1997.

Robert A. Gale, MD'47, at Victoria on January 4, 1997.

John T. Lord, MD'47, at Bethesda, Md., on July 9, 1996.

Allan Macgregor Munn, PhD'47, at Victoria on June 27, 1997.

Richard Weekes, BEng'47, at Edmonton on April 19, 1997.

Irving Polonoff, MA'48, at Portland, Ore., on July 30, 1997.

Lionel Potechin, BCom'48, at Beaconsfield, Que., on August 25, 1997.

Charles N. Crowson, MD'49, at Winnipeg on March 12, 1997.

Daniel Morris, QC, BA'49, BCL'52, at Montreal on August 4, 1997.

Benjamin H. Roe, BA'49, at Montreal on June 24, 1997.

THE 1950s

Clarke Robinson Kemp, BSc(PE)'50, at Montreal on June 24, 1997.

David Earl Laurin, BSc'50, at Guelph, Ont., on July 13, 1997.

Olha Mayowski, BA'50, BLS'54, at Montreal on September 29, 1996.

Archer Ramsey, BSc'50, at Burnaby, B.C., on April 10, 1997.

Walter Allan Rowe, BEng'50, at North Vancouver on May 12, 1997.

Marcel Pierre Simon, BEng'50, at Kingston, Ont., on June 21, 1997.

Ross M. Taylor, BEng'50, at Shawville, Que. On July 20, 1997.

Angus Charles Whittier, MSc'50, PhD'52, at Mississauga, Ont., on May 27, 1997.

George M. Austin, MSc'51, at Santa Barbara, Calif., on September 22, 1994.

Kenneth Martin Earle, MSc'51, at Seabrook, Tex., on February 23, 1996.

James Bray, BSc'52, at Pointe Claire, Que., on July 17, 1997.

Kenneth Bullock, BEng'52, at Brockville, Ont., on June 29, 1997.

Rowland F. Chun, BCom'52, at Bridgewater, N.S., on June 25, 1997.

Allan W. Thomson, MD'52, at Tisdale, Sask., on March 1, 1997.

Martha Russel (Rider) Chamberlain, BSc'53, at Vancouver on July 17, 1997.

Donald M. Murdoch, BEng'53, at Venise, Que., on August 14, 1997.

Gunnar A. Jacobson, BEng'54, MEng'55, at Montreal on August 10, 1997.

Colin Alexander Macaulay, BEng'54, MEng'55, at Toronto on July 22, 1997.

George Zames, BEng'54, at Montreal on August 10, 1997.

Sir Robert Aitken, LLD'58, at England on April 10, 1997.

Graeme Kenneth Mather, BSc'58, MSc'64, at Vancouver on August 15, 1997.

Henry C. Witelson, BSc'59, MD'63, at Hamilton, Ont., on February 25, 1997.

THE 1960s

Joseph Mastrocola, BEng(Elec)'61, at Montreal on December 12, 1996.

Solomon John Rawin, MA'62, at Vancouver on June 3, 1997.

Rev. Edward J. Furcha, BDiv'63, McGill Professor of Religious Studies, at Val Morin, Que., on July 4, 1997.

THE 1970s

Paul E. Bettencourt, MD'75, at Boston on February 14, 1996.

Robert Black, LLM'70, at Scotland on June 2, 1997.

Antonio Vicente Fernández, BEng'73, at Florida on May 23, 1997.

Edward Louis, MEd'73, at Montreal on July 30, 1997.

Ok Hyun (Lee) Hwang, DDS'75, at Montreal on July 15, 1997.

Elizabeth Ann Cadien, BSc'77, at New York City on April 18, 1988.

Jeffrey Brian Shiroky, BSc'77, at Boca Raton, Fla., on March 30, 1997.

THE 1980s

Barbara Jean Guard, MA'81, at Ridgeville, Ont., on June 24, 1997.

Desmond John Ades, MEd'85, at Greenfield Park, Que., on July 20, 1997.

Lloyd Elder, DipEd'85, at Montreal on May 24, 1997.

Jesus Villazan Vega, MEng'80, at Montreal on August 10, 1997.

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